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Thompson's National News Bureau.

Booker T. Washington Coming.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 24.—Plans are well under way by the Masonic Order of the District to extend to Dr. Booker T. Washington the "freedom of the city" when he comes on Friday, February 9, to address the people at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church. For the first time in a number of years the masses of this community who have always held the great industrial educator in the highest esteem will have an opportunity to greet Dr. Washington and listen to one of his inspiring deliverances on the problems that have to do with the uplift of the race and nation.

Mr. N. E. Wetherless, most worshipful grand master of the Masons of this jurisdiction, says the coming of Dr. Washington under Masonic auspices will be made one of the most significant events of the year, and no pains are to be spared by his general committee to make it an affair in which everybody can have a part and to give Dr. Washington a popular reception such as the capital has never before witnessed. The progress of the work will be announced from time to time, and due notice will be given as to the program and other particulars. Mr. Wetherless is being assisted in vigorous fashion in the perfection of the details of the coming demonstration by Mr. Ferdinand D. Lee, an experienced hand in public entertainments.

Dr. Thirkield Getting Ready for Commencement.

Dr. W. P. Thirkield, Howard University's far-seeing president, is already laying plans for the next commencement of this eminent seat of learning, which is to take place early in June. The graduating classes of every department will be unusually large. The Alumni Association will have a lively hand in the proceedings, and it is expected that representatives of every class that has gone out from Howard will be present in goodly numbers. The brass band will escort the party and they will march under banners telling who they are. The glee club, the stringed orchestra and the university choir will also be on hand with their choicest music. There will be addresses galore and the annual banquet of the alumni will be the "best ever." The visitors from "all over" will be in attendance. President Thirkield and his able faculty have no hesitation in declaring that at the coming commencement Howard University is to have "the time of its life."

The "Noble Red Man" to Be Honored.

Through the generosity of Andrew Carnegie and other philanthropists another magnificent marble building, rivaling in architectural beauty the Pan-American Building, is to be erected here soon at a cost of $850,000 for the Brotherhood of North American Indians. This society is of recent origin and has the moral and financial support of many men of means and influence throughout the country. At the time the brotherhood was formed there was no small degree of speculation as to the objects in view, and politicians quickly began to figure on the weight which the Indian vote might have in making up the electoral college if massed for or against one of the parties. The Indian is in luck.

Dr. Conner Has Enough Pledges to Elect.

A close friend of Dr. J. M. Conner, Arkansas' "favorite son," writes that his candidate has sufficient pledges to elect him to the bishopric of the A. M. E. Church on the first ballot. This will be cheering intelligence to the friends of Dr. Conner throughout the church. There are four vacancies to be filled, Bishops Lampton, Handy, Grant and Gaines having died during the quadrennium.

Dr. Shepard Goes to New England.

Dr. Shepard, president of the National Religious Training School, passed through the city this week, en route to points in New England, where he will put in the remainder of the month lecturing in the interest of his school. Tuesday evening he spoke in the Unitarian church at Providence, R. I. Other dates are, First Presbyterian church, Fall River, Mass., Thursday, aJnuary 25; and in the Unitarian church, New Bedford, Mass. At the conclusion of this series Dr. Shepard will join Judge Peter C. Pritchard and Gen. Julian S. Carr for a further itinerary of the New England and middle Northen states. John C. Dancy will also be a member of the party at a number of the stopping places. Dr. Shepard's work has the endorsement of the strongest philanthropists and educators of this section of the country, and it is expected that a sufficient amount will be realized through this campaign to relieve many of the pressing needs of the great institution at Durham.

Improvements at Armstrong Manual Training School.

The new $60,000 addition to the Armstrong Manual Training School has been completed, and will be ready for occupancy within a few days. The improvements will make the building one of the most complete school structures in the country. They include on the first floor enlarged machine shops, physical and electrical laboratories, carpenter shops and drafting room, with an improved lathe shop and foundry. On the second floor provision has been made for two class rooms and a teachers' retiring room, also a gymnasium has been built so that it may be used as a lecture hall when the physical culture classes are not in session. By raising a portion of the old building, the third floor has been made over into two class rooms. The addition has been made by the municipal architect to conform to the old structure, making it an attractive addition to the Capital's group of larger school buildings.

The principal of the Armstrong Manual Training School is Dr. W. Bruce Evans, one of the nation's best authorities on manual training, and from whose persistent agitation the system was placed within the reach of the colored children of the District. The school was dedicated in 1901, and the address, launching the institution in fine style, was delivered by Dr. Booker T. Washington. The twenty-fifth annual report of the Commissioner of Labor devotes four pages of interesting data to the Armstrong Manual Training School, and the book is being widely read everywhere, because the school here is looked upon as a model of its kind by industrial educators throughout the land.

Only Four Negro Official Interpreters of Football Rules.

After a period of over two years of consideration, the Central Board of Officials of the Foot Ball Rules Committee of the United States has appointed four colored men on the list of qualified officials whose names will appear in the limited list published in the Foot-Ball Annual. Garnet C. Wilkinson, teacher at the M street high school, is perhaps the best-known colored official in these parts. As coach of the M street high school football team he has developed many stars who have made careers on the gridirons of the larger colleges after leaving this school. Merton P. Robinson has taught and coached football and other branches of athletics at several colleges and high schools. A. Kiger Savoy, a teacher in the Washington public schools, has served capably on the gridiron. Edwin B. Henderson, physical director of the colored high schools of Washington, received his training at the Harvard Summer School of Physical Training, where football theory and practice is a strong course, and where the leading football experts of the country often get together.

These four gentlemen are the only men of the race in the country whose work has entitled them to the distinction noted. There are some coaches and players who are fitted for official work, but have not yet met all the requirements for official recognition.

The Central Board of Football Officials, who passed on the qualifications of Messrs. Wilkinson, Henderson, Savoy and Robinson, is made up of L. M. Dennis, of Cornell University; Walter Camp, of Yale University; Parke Davis, of Princeton University; Cranford Blagden and Chairman James A. Babbitt, of Haverford College.

Recorder Johnson's Fine Report.

Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson, of Georgia, recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia, has issued his report for the calendar year of 1911, and it makes the finest showing of any similar period in the history of the office, covering a span of over one hundred years. Col. Johnson reports that 26,107 papers affecting title to local real estate was offered for record in the last twelve months. In addition there were filed 448 incorporation papers. The total receipts of the office for 1911 were $45,489.35. The number of papers filed exceeds by nearly 1,500 the number recorded in 1910.

Besides making a splendid executive officer of the government, Col. Johnson is doing a great many helpful things for the race in a personal way, and merits the much over-worked appellation of "leader." He will be a factor in the political affairs of the state of Georgia, and in all probability he will be one of the "Big Four" that will go as delegates-at-large to the Chicago convention. As in 1908, Col. oJhnson will be a tower of strength for the nomination of Mr. Taft. If congress will act favorably upon a bill inspired by Col. Johnson, there will be a number of salary increases in the recorder's office, and the force will be reorganized upon an improved system.

The News in a Nutshell.

Senator Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa, has entered the race for the Republican nomination for President.

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The new $7,000 building of the National Training School for Women and Girls at Lincoln Heights, D. C., will soon be ready fo dedication. Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, the energetic president, is planning to make "dedication Day" a gala occasion.

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Mrs. Lillian B. Henderson, of Indianapolis, Ind., prominently identified with the forward movements of the race in the Hoosier State, and especially interested in the work of the famous Flower Mission at Indianapolis, is spending a few days in the city, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Tignor, 921 S street, northwest. Mrs. Henderson is en route from New York City, where she has been attending the bedside of her friend, Miss Cora Hardon Turner, who has been seriously ill.

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Much local interest is felt in the canvass of Rev. E. H. Hunter for the office of financial secretary of the A. M. E. church. He is showing a surprising degree of strength and his friends freely predict that he will land the "plum." Dr. Hunter is one of the "young bloods" in the ministry, but he has worked hard and his rapid rise has been due to a special adaptation for the field to which he has been called. Dr. Hunter was for many years a clerk in the pension office here, and is now pastoring one of the best churches in his denomination, St. John's at Norfolk, Va. His friends here are hopeful o fhis election as financial secretary. He will bring to the place the same energy and resourcefulness that has characterized his work in the spiritual side of the ministry.

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It is hinted that Lawyer Thomas L. Jones, one of the ablest members of the bar of the District of Columbia, is slated for an important post under the Department of Justice. Mr. Jones is an effective campaigner, and rendered yeoman service for the party in several states in the last presidential campaign, and is ready to "come back" for similar work in the approaching battle. No Republican is more deserving of recognition than Mr. Jones, and a place calling for legal ability of a high order would fit him to a "T."

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Washington will have no "segregation" law, no anti-miscegenation law, nor a "jim-crow" street car law, the agitation of certain notoriety seeking congressmen to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Dr. James E. Shepard, president and founder of the National Religious Training School at Durham, N. C., will speak before the Bethel Literary and Historical Association in February. He is now on a whirlwind tour of New England and the Middle North in the interest of his school, and is meeting with great success. The institution has an issue that appeals to the support of the best-thinking people of both races.

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Register J. C. Napier has been unanimously re-elected cashier of the One-Cent Savings Bank at Nashville, Tenn.

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Some modern Samson entered the poolroom of Alexander Satterwhite at 1920 Fourteenth street last Sunday morning and carried off a 1,000-pound safe, containing $75 worth of jewelry and other valuables. This is the second time Mr. Satterwhite has lost his safe in this manner.

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This significant line from Genesis is the text from which the colored political leaders are preaching during these troublous times: "Let there be no strife I pray thee between thee and me for we are brethren." There is a death-like stillness among those from whom loquacity might be interesting. The magnates are side-stepping all personal entanglements, marking time and awaiting developments.

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A. H. Grimke, of Boston, spoke on "Paul Lawrence Dunbar' Tuesday evening before the Bethel Literary and Historical Association at Lincoln temple.

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It is estimated that $25,000 will be needed to finance the project to make the Douglass homestead a "Mecca" of history pertaining to the Negro race. A well-posted real estate man says the property will treble in value in ten years' time.

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A mammoth "Douglas Dinner" is talked of for February 14, the anniversary of the birth of Frederick Douglass.

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W. D. Johnson, of Kentucky, special agent of the Department of Agriculture, is announced as a candidate for delegate-at-large to the Chicago convention, to represent his state in the work of nominating a standard bearer for the Republican party. He is for Taft—"first, last and all the time." Mr. Johnson hails from Georgetown, Ky., and is one of the hardest working Republicans in the "Blue Grass" commonwealth.

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It is probable that a number of Washingtonians will be members of the party that is to accompany Dr. Booker T. Washington on his "educational pilgrimage" through the state of Florida, which begins March 1, continuing for one week. The tour will be under the direction of Editor M. M. Lewey, of the Florida Sentinel the dean of southern journalists and who is also president of the Florida State Negro Business Men's Business League, and president of the National Negro Press Association.

R. W. THOMPSON.

Hon. W. T. Vernon claims that he can prove that Socrates, the ancient Greek philosopher, was a Negro—News Item.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

SPECIAL TO THE FREEMAN.

Mr. J. Newben, of Indianapolis, Ind., is here visiting his sister, Mrs. Ewards. He is on the sick list....Mr. J. Garlin, of Champaign, Ill., is here visiting friends ....Misses M. Poster and E. Claybrook were in Elkville Saturday and Sunday, visiting relatives. From there they went to Carbondale, Ill., to attend the teachers' mask, of which they are members....Mr. J. Cross, of Sheffield, Ala., has come to Centralia, to make it his home. He has made many friends since here....Mr. J. Mitchell is a colored foreman in the Illinois Central railroad shops......Mr. Cliff B. Durell, of Paducah, Ky., is now one of the colored machinists in the Illinois Central railroad shops at Centralia.. ..Mr. Frank Redden, of Carbondale, Ill., colored foreman in the Illinois Central railroad shops....Mr. Lorine Hoffman, of Mounds, Ill., is machinist in the Illinois Central railroad shops....Mr. S. L. Burrell, of Homer, La., is box packer in the Illinois Central railroad shops.....Mr. Harry Long, of Mounds, Ill., is engine washer on days in the Illinois Central railroad shops.....Mr. B. Hinds gave a dance last Saturday....Mr. Frank Smith has just arrived here from Rippley, Tenn., where he has been several weeks visiting his parents. He has now gotten a position in the Illinois Central railroad shops ....Mr. J. Rodgers has gone to Rippley, Tenn., to visit his old home....Mrs. W. Lewis was called to Mt. Vernon, Ill., to the bedside of her sick father....Rev. Douglass has arrived home from Brunswick, Ga., where he has been visiting his parents for several weeks.

MT. VERNON, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Horace Rousse was a visitor in Columbus, O., last week....A daughter was born January 8 to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reynolds....Mr. Chancy Mayle, of Frederictown is on the sick list....Miss Ida Ramson, of Newark, O., addressed the ladies of the Mite Missionary Society at the Wayman chapel A. M. E. church, on Sunday, January 21, at 3 p. m., on the work of the bi-annual convention held in Chicago, Ill....Mrs. Gertrude Simmons, who has been a patient for the past several weeks at the Mt. Vernon hospital, returned to her home in Barnesville January 20th....Calvary Baptist church, Rev. A. A. Hampton, pastor, preached both morning and evening. Sunday school at 9:30, Jas. Gibson, superintendent..Wayman Chapel A. M. E. church, Rev. John Coleman, pastor; owing to the illness of Rev. Coleman with pleurisy, the services last Sunday were not carried out as usual. This week was the beginning of the revival services. Sunday school at 9:30, A. H. Simmon, superintendent; Christian Endeavorers at 6 p. m., G. L. Simmons, leader....Twenty Century Club met at the residence of Mrs. Dana Jones, 208 East Pleasant street, for their monthly coffee pour and the following program was rendered: Question: "What people of the United States carry on farming with a hoe and sharp stick"; select reading by Mrs. Carrie Ewing; Paper, "The Arts of the Indian," Mrs. Grace Brown; current events. After which the hostess served a delightful luncheon. The club will meet at the residence of Mrs. Harry Lathern, January 29th.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Mrs. B. S. Haywood, of McKinney street, Mrs. Henry Johnson, of Hogue street, and Mr. Monroe Thompson, of Dead street, are very ill at this writing.. ..The Buckeye Lodge of Elks, No. 73, will give their annual banquet in Excelsior parlors Wednesday evening, March 20, and from all reports it will be the banner of all that have been given.... The Baptist Sunday school union of Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania met at the Mahoning avenue Baptist church Sunday and a very interesting program was rendered. The attendance was very large....Dr. C. A. Pettiford is able to be out after a few days of illness....Mrs. Cord West has returned to the city..., The members of the Oak Hill Avenue A. MF. E. church Sewing Circle met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Woods Thursday afternoon. The attendance was good. The next meeting will be at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Moore, on Covington street, ebruary 1....Parris Hall shows some improvement from his illness of last week....Rev' Geo. Tracy was granted license to preach by Presiding Elder Jones Monday evening at quarterly conference at the Oak Hill Avenue A. M. E. church. Mr. Lacey will have charge at St. Clairsville.

STARKVILLE, MISS.

Mr. Dove Doris, of Greenwood, Miss., has beFen in our city far the last 10 days visiting his fairy friends....Miss Aria Steward, of Little Rock, Ark., spent the holiday with her parents on Vine St. ....Mrs. Minnie Alexander has been reported sick at the home of her mother on Gilespie St....Mr. Oscar Bell, of Little Rock, Ark., spent two weeks or more with his parents, departed on the 6th for his future home in Arkansas....Miss Kittie Curry departed Wednesday for Alcarn, Miss....Miss Hattie Garbraugh arrived in our city on last Saturday from Memphis, Tenn....Mr. Murrah Richardson, a native of our county, died recently, a shock to our community.

CURRENT NEWS OF CHICAGO

THE DEMISE OF ADJUTANT ROBERT RATCLIFFE

BISHOP C. T. SHAFFER RETURNS HOME

Thirty Waiters to Leave for Hot Springs - Organization Formed to Further the Interest of Col. Roosevelt—Political Pointers.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 24, Special.

"Leaves have their times to fall,
And flowers to wither at the North wind's breath,
And stars to set—but all,
Thou hast all seasons for thine own, O death."

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Adjutant Ratcliffe's Funeral.

Adj. Robert Ratcliffe departed this life January 19, after a lingering illness at Hopkinsville, Ky. The funeral services were held on last Sunday afternoon at Quincy Chapel A. M. E. Church, of which he was a member. He was the first commissioned officer to die since the organization of the 8th I. N. G., and was accorded full military honors at his funeral.

The body was brought here from Hopkinsville, Ky., and remained at the residence of his sister, Mrs. William Coleman, 3817 Vernon avenue, until 2 p. m. Sunday, when the Eighth Regiment and the Patriarchs escorted the remains in funeral march to the church. The magnificent casket was drapped in the stars and stripes and with many floral emblems, all attesting to the high esteem and regard Captain Ratcliffe merited by his earnest and noble life.

Dr. Cook's Eulogy.

The impressive services were conducted by the Rev. Wm. D. Cook, pastor of the church. He met the body at the door and began reading a portion of the Scripture pertaining to the immortality of the soul. This was followed by Scripture reading. The choir rendered "Onward Christian Soldier," in which the entire congregation joined.

The obituary was read by the pastor, speaking of his Christian life, his meritorious service in the postoffice for many years, his efficiency as adjutant of the 8th Illinois Regiment, his work in the Odd Fellows, being faithful and fraternal, and his fidelity to his highest duty as husband of the bereaved widow.

The eulogy by Dr. Cook was most beautiful and impressive, stirring the hearts of the immense throng. Dr. Cook said in part that man was born to make society better, to make the most of life, to love nature, the flowers, the mountains, the spreading valleys and all that was beautiful; above all to love all and make life happy. When He said "Love not the world," Christ meant to love not those things which made for vice and corruption and immorality, but to "Set Thine House in Order." He said Adj. Ratcliffe had lived a Christian life, was loved, honored and revered. Was a soldier, citizen and Christian gentleman and in all things of which he was connected he strived to rise to the highest. He lived a life that all could say, "the elements were so mixed in him that he could stand before all the world and say he was a man." Dr. Cook told his comrades to set their houses in order as they knew not whence the time nor the hour they would be called away.

Chaplain Chavis Speaks.

Rev. Jordan Chavis, chaplain of the regiment, delivered an eulogy. He spoke of his intimate friendship with the deceased. He said he had not the first time to hear of an officer or private speak of any opposition to the lamented soldier. His record as a commissioned officer stod at the top and this had given the regiment a high standing in the Illinois National Guard and the speaker asserted thta he was one of the most valuable men of the "boys in blue."

Military Rites.

The military rites included taps, buglers being stationed in the corners of the church and one after another sounded taps which was most impressive, emblematic of the last bugle call. The Odd Fellows concluded the exercises with their beautiful ritualistic services. Resolutions were read from Western Star Lodge No. 1443, Past Grand Masters' Council and the Odd Fellows Building Association.

Mr. George R. Garner, Jr., rendered "Dear Lord, Remember Me," bringing the tears to the eyes of the vase assemblage. While the body was being viewed by the many friends the choir sang very appropriate selections.

War Record.

Mr. Ratcliffe was a member of the Ninth Battalion and when the same was recruited into the Eighth Regiment, U. S. Volunteers during the Spanish-American war he served as sergeant throughout the entire service in Cuba. As a reward for honest and proficient effort he was promoted to the responsible position of adjutant when the regiment returned to state service. He was colonel of the Twelfth Regiment of the Patriarch.

Major Otis B. Duncan, of the Second Battalion came here from Springfield, Ill., to attend the funeral. The remains were interred Monday in a lot which is set apart for deceased veterans of the Spanish-American war. He leaves a wife, father, sister and stepdaughter and a host of friends to lament his "crossing the bar."

Col. John R. Marshall, commanding the Eighth Regiment and a high authority on military affairs by reason of his service in times of war and peace, speaking of Adjutant Ratcliffe, gave him the highest praise as an officer, as a citizen and as a friend.

The writer was a personal friend of the late adjutant and it was he that accorded him many courtesies while at Springfield and Peoria when in camp.

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Bishop C. T. Shaffer arrived in the city the first of the week from Atlanta, Ga., where he had been attending the funeral of the late Bishop Gaines. Rev. Shaffer stated to the ministers' meeting on Monday morning that the funeral was attended by all the bishops and general officers, with Bishop Smith presiding and Bishop Tyree preaching the funeral sermon. Resolutions from the ministers' meeting of this city were sent to be read at the funeral.

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Off for Hot Springs.

Mr. William McCullough, one of the most widely-known headwaiters in this country, will leave Saturday of this week with a crew of thirty for Hot Springs, Ark., to take charge of the famous Eastman Hotel of the "Vapor City." The party will arrive in Hot Springs on Sunday at 10:25 a. m. and go immediately to the hotel for assignments. Mr. Russell Mount will be the second waiter to Mr. McCullough, and Mr. L. A. Walker will be headwaiter for the American room, while Mr. Clifford Prewett will be his second. The organization of these men here is looked forward to with great interest among Chicagoans.

The big hotel this season will be half American and half European. There will be fifteen waiters in the grill room and sixty in the big room. This will be the first season for such conveniences for the guests.

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Perfects Permanent Organization.

The local organization of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People met last Saturday at the Hull House and perfected permanent organization. Chicago is to be the place for holding the National Association convention during the month of May, at which time hundreds of the most prominent white and colored citizens in America will gather to deliberate upon ways and means for the promotion of civic, political, industrial and moral welfare of the race.

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Negro Theaters.

Mr. Dudley and his "Smart Set" are in the city this week playing at the Alhambra Theater. The show is having packed houses nightly and every matinee thus far has been a "hummer." Mr. Dudley was seen only for a minute on Monday afternoon, but we hope to see more of him relative to his plans for a string of colored theaters. He thinks that the following cities are available—East Philadelphia, New York City, Baltimore, Washington, Richmond, Chicago, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Columbus and other places of large population. This chain of theaters which he proposes to be operated and controlled by business men exclusively of the Negro race should be a success. The matter has already been thought of seriously by men of money in this city, and Mr. Dudley is expected to say more in the future. He urges that business men of the above cities consider the matter and write him.

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Hon. J. E. Bush Heard.

The name of Hon. J. E. Bush, whose acquaintance in the South and elsewhere for that matter is second to that of Dr. Booker T. Washington, is expected in this city some time soon and he will be here during the convenning of the Republican convention. Mr. Bush is United States land receiver, member of the executive council of the National Negro Business Men's League, the strongest politician in the State of Arkansas, the vital head of the Order of Mosaics, an organization born of Negro brains; a race lover and orator. At the State Republican convention of Arkansas he will be a candidate for delegate-at-large to the convention at Chicago, and words comes that his election is assured. It is through Mr. Bush that there exists a cordiality and sympathy between the races as does exist in Little Rock. Mr. Bush will be here in August to attend the Business Men's League, and the Chicagoans will gladly welcome him at both meetings. Mr. Bush has recently purchased one of the finest homes in his city.

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Politics.

There is no getting around the fact that there is a determined effort in Chicago to organize in favor of Roosevelt. A national Roosevelt committee was organized at the Union League Club with Alexander Revell president; Dwight Lawrence, treasurer; Edwin Simms, secretary. The executive committee consists of Edward J. Brundage, Robert S. Buncombe, Lawrence Heyworth and Ralph Otis. The club is organized to bring about the nomination of Colonel Roosevelt, believing he is the most popular man in the race. Last week the Chicago Defender saw no reason for Mr. Taft being nominated; the Broadax is opposed to him, and the Chronicle is non-commital. While the above organization is white, Negroes are falling into line, proclaiming for Teddy.

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The last of the week the Progressives will go to Springfield, Ill., and the colored delegation will be headed by W. F. Moseley, a candidate for county commissioner.

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Edward Green and Major Jackson are candidates for the Legislature. Both of them claim excellent chances to win.

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The members of the Twentieth Century Whist Club will be entered by their husbands and Mr. Aldred Anderson and Dr. H. Reginald Smith, the last named gentleman being the recipient of many courtesies of the club.

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It is reported that the Assembly Club, one of the most select dancing clubs of the city, will give a second dance on the night of February 14.

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James Miller, who is one of the leading colored Democrats, is a Harrison man for President. Mr. Miller is a sanitary inspector for the city. Quite a number of local Democrats are for Henry Watterson; others for Wilson. Taft, LaFollette and Cummins all have a small following in the Windy City, a city known far and wide for Negros splitting their votes. At any stage of the game and whoever is elected there will be some Chicago Negroes to "be in right." Editor A. E. Manning is expected in the city to tell the boys what he saw and heard while in Washington.

LETTER FROM ABROAD.

Provision Being Made for White Men Only.

Port Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, Nov. 26, 191.

Hon. George L. Knox.

My Dear Sir—I am sending you a copy of "Australia Today." I do hope you will read it. I am confident it will give you the desired information wanted along the line of truth, and it will help to bring home to you the truth of what Dr. Booker T. Washington said about the Negro in London, England. If you ever saw a man in hole, I am that man in the hole with the lid on. So again I will ask you to read "Australia Today" and be wise about this so-called "British Fair Play." They are making every provision for all of the poor whites of England, but doing nothing for the blacks in Africa or anywhere else.

Sam Langford, the colored boxer, and "Cyclone' Johnny Thompson are passengers on the Zealander. Iver Lawson and W. L. Milton, champion American cyclists, are on the same boat. They reach Sydney today. Now where is Major Taylor? Yes, where is he? There is always great fun and excitement when he is in Australia. Has the major retired? "The Man Farthest Down" is well worth the Negroes of America carefully reading. It is the truth, pure Gospel truth. It is a lesson many educated Negroes ought to learn that when they get money to go abroad they should tell us of conditions of the people of those countries visited instead of great churches there.

It is time that a change should come, and hope come to stay. I have just finished reading the September 30 issue. I am waiting the arrival of the others that are coming. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year, as well as everybody in the United States of America and The Freeman.

Yours truly,
A. GOLDSMITH.

P. S.—"Australia Today, 1912" forward. The preceding has been devoted mainly to a summary of Australia's marvelous prosperity; those things which follow are utilized on the one hand for a dissection of the same phenomen; and, on the other, for the more detailed discussion of various outstanding aspects. These latter are chiefly those which for want of space or lack of ripeness have been dealt with at length in our previous issues. They will help, we trust, to bring our picture of life in Australia up to date.

At the present time the commonwealth is perhaps the most significant part of the world's surface, so that any truthful description of it is of special interest, not only to Australians but the whole white race. For here is a whole continent fit in every part for settlement by whites. The testimony to this effct becomes stronger every day, and yet practically empty. Just what stage of development such a country has reached and what its evidenced and proved possibilities are, these must be questions of supreme interest to countless congested millions. Such information we supply here with absolute absence of exaggeration. So far as we can insure it we have spared no pains and every fact and figure included in these pages is officially correct and entirely reliable. This is the claim which we make above all, that the picture we present is the most faithful reflection of the actual Australian conditions that time, expense and trouble have been able to secure. The above ought to cause you to read "Australia Today."

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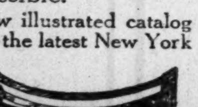

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HAMPTON, Va.—Hampton Institute extends a most cordial invitation to all who are interested in farming to attend the Hampton Negro Farmers' Conference, which will be held at Hampton Institute on Wednesday, January 31, and Thursday, February 1, 1912. The conference will open at 8:30 a. m. on January 31. The attendance of the women is especially desired.

About three hundred dollars will be offered in prizes for farm products, domestic art, domestic science, manual training and public school exhibits.

A "Negro Farmers' Conference Announcement," issued by the Hampton Institute, Agricultural Department, contains a copy of the rules governing the exhibts, the official program and the premium list.

A summary of the program follows: January 31 (forenoon), plowing matches (Whittier road); farm machinery demonstration; the women's meeting. Afternoon, sweet and Irish potato culture. Evening, addresses in Cleveland Hall Chapel. February 1 (forenoon), co-operation of church, school and farm; butter making. Afternoon, business methods on the farm; awarding of premiums.

This announcement and invitation is issued by Dr. H. B. Fissell, the school's principal, and Mr. Charles K. Graham, director of the Hampton Institute Agricultural Department.

POPULATION OF GEORGIA ACCORDING TO COLOR.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A preliminary statement of the white and Negro population of Georgia, by counties and principal cities, as shown by the returns of the thirteenth decennial census, taken as of April 15, 1910, was issued recently by Director Durand of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce and Labor. The statistics were prepared under the direction of William C. Hunt, chief statistican for population in the Census Bureau, and are subject to later revision.

The total population of Georgia in 1910 was subdivided as to color as follows: White, 1,431,816; Negro, 1,176,987; all other persons (Indians, Chinese and Japanese), 318. The equivalent figures for 1900 were as follows: White, 1,181,294; Negro, 1,034,813; all others, 224. For 1890 they were: White, 978,357; Negro, 858,815; all others, 181.

The Negro population constituted 45.1 per cent. of the total population of the State in 1910, as against 46.7 per cent. in both 1900 and 1890.

The rate of increase in the Negro population since 1900 has fallen off considerably as compared with that of the preceding decade, the increase from 1900 to 1910 being 142,174, or 13.7 per cent., as against 175,998, or 20.5 per cent. from 1890 to 1900. Not much change was noted between the two decades in the rate of increase in the white population, the increase from 1900 to 1910 being 250,522, or 21.2 per cent., as compared with 202,937, or 20.7 per cent. from 1890 to 1900.

Atlanta city had a population in 1910 of 154,839, comprising 102,860 whites, 51,902 Negroes and 77 other persons (Indians, Chinese and Japanese). The equivalent figures for 1900 were: White, 54,090; Negro, 35,727; all others, 55. For 1890 they were: White, 37,416; Negro, 28,098; all others, 19.

The Negro population of Atlanta constituted 33.5 per cent. of the total in 1910, as against 39.8 per cent. in 1900 and 42.9 per cent. in 1890. The rate of increase in the white population from 1900 to 1910 was more than doubled to that of the preceding decade, the increase being, respectively, 48,770, or 90.2 per cent., as against 16,674, or 44.6 per cent. The increase in the Negro population since 1900 has likewise been considerable; viz., 16,175, or 45.3 per cent., as compared with an increase of 7,629, or 27.2 per cent. from 1890 to 1900.

The white and Negro population of Georgia in 1910 and 1900 is given for each of the counties and pricipal cities.

JONES-DODD NUPTIALS.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—A wedding of unusual interest among the colored social set of this city was the happy union of Miss Emma Dodd to Mr. G. P. Jones. Rev. Lindsey, of the A. M. E. Church, performed the ceremony.

The palatial home of the bride's parents was artistically decorated for the occasion, pink and green being the predominating colors. Lohengrin's wedding march, played by Mr. Eugene Lewis, announced the arrival of the bridal party.

The ceremony was performed in the drawing room beneath an arch of pink roses and simlax connected by pink ribbons to a huge bell which was suspended from the ceiling.

The bride presented a rare picture arrayed in her wedding gown of white charmense satin en train, trimmed in shadow lace and rhinestones. She carried a beautiful bouquet of Easter lilies and ferns.

The large number of beautiful and useful presents attested the popularity of the couple.

Miss Georgia Nevells was gridesmaid while Mr. Lewis Wimmens was best man.

After a dainty supper was served the joyous party spent the remainder of the evening in dancing and listening to beautiful vocal and instrumental music.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones are at home in their elegant residence on Leath street.

HIS LIFE WAS ROMANTIC ONE.

That of George W. Smith, the Wealthy Colored Man, Recently Deceased—Reads Like Fiction.

BROADLANDS, Ill.—The life of George W. Smith, the aged and wealthy colored man, who died a few days ago near this village, was unusually interesting and remarkable in many ways. The fact that Smith had no early oportunities and yet succeeded so well in the material things of this world should be an inspiration to others of his race.

He was born a slave near Selmar, McNairy county, Tenn., December 3, 1836. At the early age of nine years, together with his six brothers and sisters, he was sold from his mother's side. As a chattel he brought the sum of $501.50. It was his duty then to accompany his purchaser's children to school and act as their playmate. During study hours he was allowed with other slave boys if they so liked, to sit on a bench in the rear of the room. Even at that age he saw that education was something worth having and he sat there and absorbed all that went on. To spur a laggard, the teacher one day jokingly remarked that even George knew the answer to a question. When asked, George did know it and especially all sums in arithmetic put to him thereafter. His aptness was the pride of the children, but the slave-owners, hearing of it, gave the teacher orders to keep young George out of the school room. It was then a penal offense to teach a slave to read and write and often, to destroy the ability to write, the offending slave's first finger on the right hand was cut off. He was considered too young to punish. The interested teacher slipped the bright boy a book with orders to hide it in his shirt when he heard anyone coming. This was the extent of his schooling, but he saw to it that his children received a good training even to the extent of a state university education, if they so desired.

Shortly afterwards he was set to work as assistant to the miller, a skilled and paid employee. He was not assistant long; in a few years the miller was let out and George Smith became the miller. Milling was his tas kuntil the spring of 1862. Then he learned that a party of Confederates were coming with the avowed purpose of killing him because he knew too much. So he took down his squirrel rifle (he was an expert marksman) and tramped off to Shiloh where he saw his first service as scout in the Union army under General McClelland. He acted as guide for General Logan in Tennessee and Mississippi. Losing his health he came to Springfield, Ill., where he met and married Mrs. Mary E. Gaines, who was a fitting companion in his successful efforts to establish a home and to rear an honorable family.

With keen foresight he chose farming for his life-work. At first, it was on a small scale; he farmed in summer and chopped wood in winter. The day was never too cold for him to work, up long before daylight he would often walk four miles to the woods, wait for daylight to come, work until noon, eat his frozen lunch, chop a hole in the river ice for a drink, and when night would come, three to three and one-half cords of wood would be the result of his day's labor.

In the spring of 1876 he moved to the Broadlands tract of land and the following December settled on that part of his farm which has ever since been his home. At that time Broadlands was wet and swampy, and the paying for the first 80 acres was the most difficult task of his career. But he paid for it and continued to buy until his farm property, called "The Trail," consisted of 440 acres together with personal property of an estimated valuation of $116,000. He was among the very first to adopt tile drainage, to appreciate the value of clover as a crop. He was remarkably successful in growing corn and in raising hogs. On account of their quality, his light and heavy hogs were widely known. And during these years he did not forget the meager educational opportunity of the little boy sitting behind the school house ready to hide his book in his shirt. He spent more money than any other man in the township and considered it well invested.

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PENSACOLA, FLA.

By Walker W. Thomas, of the Thomas News Bureau, No. 18 South Tarrgonna Street, Phone, 821.

Special to The Freeman.

Pensacola for the past three weeks has been having some of the coldest weather that has ever been experienced for some time....Mr. Richard Garnet has been on the sick list for the past few days. His many friends will be glad to see him out again....Mr. Dully Bradley, of Chicago, Ill., a former Pensacola young man who is a constant reader of The Freeman, is very much disappointed when no local notes are published in The Freeman....Mr. Uriel M. Thomas, of St. Louis, Mo., was in the city last Tuesday....Miss Bertha Brown, of West Bright street, has been on the sick list for the last three weeks and her many friends will be glad to see her out again....The news received last week about the big fire at Snow Hill Institute was quite a shock to our residents....It has been reported that little Dan Cupid will be very busy soon. We don't know who will be the lucky one....Mr. George W. Goode, head waiter at the San Carlos, left last week for San Antonio, Texas, where he will make his future home. His many friends regret his departure and they all wish him great success....Miss Lottie Stewart, of West Wagner street, delightfully entertained at her home last week. The home was beautifully decorated for the occasion and dancing and games were the features of the evening. Dainty refreshments were served to the guests, who were only the members of the younger set. Among those present were Misses Nellie Fernandez, Dellia Watson, Minnie Gerlda, Katie Todd, Cora Lee Thomas, Rosa Dorsey, Anetta Patterson, Ledresser Huff, Mrs. Frank Gilmore and Messrs. James Harris, R. Dorsey, Matthew Stewart, Jr., John Reese, Isaac Shefield, Mauel Hichs, Isaac Lee, Rochell Cooper, F. J. Robinson, E. Brown, E. Kelly, Walker Wilmer Thomas and others..In honor of Miss Addie E. Williams' birthday, the pupils of the Pensacola high school gave a reception in her honor at the school building, in the eighth grade room, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Games and dancing were the features of the evening. Delicious refreshments were served to the guests who were members of the younger set. Among those present were Miss Addie E. Williams, the guest of honor; Prof. and Mrs. A. L. Kirksey, Mrs. Swan, Misses Ruby Lee Washington, Gertrude Burton, Maude and Alma Aaron, Janet Scott, Edna Faulks, Mildred McNickles, Alberta Nelson, Elsa Pryor, Carrie and Margaret Bariouis, Chestine Sims, Eliza Britton, Wheeler Ridley, Inez Jordan, Marcella Avery, Lorena Brown, Katie Fancifer, and Messrs. Prof. M. N. M. Bennett, Andrew Preer, Jr., Manuel Hicks, Horace D. Goode, Isaac Shefield, Virgia Brown, Jack Wynn, Walter Charles, Harry and Frank Chandler, John Reese, Clarence Allen, Rufus Grant, Roland Stollworth, Walker Wilmer Thomas and others....Mrs. A. C. Sawyer has been on the sick list for the past few weeks. Her many friends will be glad to see her out again.... Don't for get to report all of your news to the Thomas News Bureau, 18 South Tarrgonna street, phone 821. Walker W. Thomas, proprietor.

EVERGREEN, ALA.

Mrs. Ruby Brown's sister of Brewton, Ala., is here for a visit....Mr. Rayle Smith was in the city last Sunday....Miss Ida Johnson, of Pensacola, Fla., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. J. Lett....Miss Annie L. Lane has returned home from Gantt, Ala., at which place she has been teaching for some time....The airships created a little excitement here last Sunday afternoon. Many people had the pleasure of seeing one of the wonderful machines for the first time. They left Tuesday afternoon....Tead The Freeman. Leaves your subscription at D. S. Ray's shoe shop.

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Heated Controversy Caused by Effort to Draw the Color Line.

CINCINNATI.—The controversy as to whether the colored people of this city are to be allowed representation at the "World in Cincinnati" missionary exposition proposed to be held in this city next spring is assuming wide proportions. The attempt to bar the churches of Afro-Americans has undoubtedly aroused the Rev. G. R. Robbins to righteous indignation.

In an open letter the Rev. Mr. Robbins says concerning the matter:

"I am so constituted by birth, natural and spiritual, by the blood of my honored parents and the blood of my adorable Redeemer that it is utterly impossible for me not to take the part of the despised or rejected or slighted or purposely hindered and hurt. I am persuaded that a great injustice is being inflicted upon the colored ministers and the members of their many churches in this city by the action of the stewards' committee of the 'World in Cincinnati' in not allowing them some little part in the proposed exposition to be held in our city in the early spring.

"To me it seems, as it must to all careful and candid thinkers and especially Christians, that it is the very height of folly and the quintessence of absurdity, a sin and a shame for a movement which advertises itself to show what Christianity has done throughout the world by exhibitions and theatrical and operatic presentations to leave out what the colored people have accomplished in the South and what has been undertaken by different denominations in Africa. It is self-evident that such a movement is dangerous to the cause of Christianity and will do more to hinder the work of missions, home and foreign, than can be conceived by the human mind. If this is allowed surely infidels will scorn, demons laugh and angels and saints weep bitter tears.

"Would it not be perfectly possible, without giving offense to anyone, even those least liking and loving the colored people, to have all churches invited and then so arranged as not to offend the most sensitive in any and all churches?

"There are now some 12,000,000 colored people in the South against 4,000,000 at the close of the civil war. Where in America is there a larger and more important missionary field?

"Is is not the hope of every prophet that these may be evangelized and educated and thousands of them sent across the waters of the sea to evangelize the dark continent? Is it possible that after hundreds of thousands of the boys in blue met the boys in gray and baptized the virgin soil of the fair Southland with their blood for the liberation of the black slaves that they might have civil liberty we here in the Queen iCty of the West shall catch the Negroes and shackle them and forbid them the riligious liberty to have a little booth in some nook or corner of Music Hall to show some of the great things God has done for them?

"Great God forbid! Ministers, laymen, citizens, Christians, Protestants, Catholics, Jews, stand up and say, 'No; this must not be so!' Otherwise we shall be very guilty before man and God. Not only will the city be dishonored and the work of the many churches retarded, but a setback will be given to the work of world-wide evangelization."

AN OPEN LETTER.

Of Interest to Baseball Managers—A Strong League Will Be a Help to All Concerned.

For some time past I have been considering a plan whereby all the leading baseball managers and players of Chicago (two clubs), Kansas City, St. Louis, Louisville, Indianapolis, West Baden and Paducah, Ky., could be brought into one compact organization patterned, controlled and conducted similar to the National and American Leagues. Of course, one can readily see that if a plan of organization could be perfected whereby all the first-class players throughout the cities mentioned could be governed from one head, it would prove of inestimable value, prevent contract-jumping, raise the standard of players and thereby the proper handling of the league, managers players, etc., could accomplish very much.

Not only this, but from a revenue standpoint more money could be made for the stockholders of the concern, also higher salaries could be paid the players. Only a glance at the proposed organization should enable one to see the great benefits that would result from such a governing body.

I have written a letter substantially like this one to the different managers and I would be glad indeed to receive a communication from you responsive to the thought expressed and if, after correspondence with each other and with the other persons who are named herein,I think it likely that sufficient interest would be manifested to warrant in calling a conference of the parties whose names are mentioned and any others interested. This could be done at some convenient date and before it is too late. There we can digest, lay out plans, suggest one to the other as to the most beneficial method of bringing into one body the different baseball clubs and cities.

In conclusion, I wish to state that Kansas City is ready and prepared to go into an organization of this kind, for the coming season. Are you ready? Are you prepared.

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At this time the weather is very rough and there is a great deal of illness and death....The restaurant man, Mr. W. C. Reed, of Band street, says to just keep a good, sharp appetite and eat at the Ale Hander Star Meal Restaurant, and you will live long and well....Miss Ella Merkinson is visiting her friends in Woodtown....Miss Leona Brown is sick. ....Mr Johnson is still carrying on his show....The boys meet on the hill and sell The Freeman....Mr. Joe E. Skinner is still contractor and builder. ....Mrs. Joshua is still wishing for the day when The Freeman comes.... Mr. Mason, of Walker street, and his wife are at the bedside of some relative away from here....Mr. Harry E. Nelson is bothered. There is a new field opened up and he wishes to tell his race about it.

BAY CITY, MICH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

We are having some cold weather in Bay City which is causing a great deal of sickness....Mr. W. H. Lewis, engineer of the Crapo Block, is confined to his home, 912 Hampton street with lagrippe....Mrs. L. L. Lewis, sister of Mr. W. H. Lewis, is also in poor health....Mr. D. Fairfax had a terrible fall and received two cuts on his head, also dislocated his arm.... Mrs. M. Fairfax, of McKinley avenue, expects to sail to the old country the first of may, where she will reside for the summer....Mrs. George M. Davis has sold her farm at McKinley, Mich., and now she and her daughter Emma Mae are living with her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Love, 1109 Indiana street.... Mr. W. Miller has opened up a first-class rooming house and is doing a thriving business, at No. 420 Adams street....Mr. Mose Bowie, of 1207 Monroe street, is having quite a success with his club room and cafe.... Mrs. D. Mills, 527 Hampton street, has been on the sick list but is better.

RACE GLEANINGS.

TUSKEGEE, Ala.—In view of the fact that an annual defficiency of about $175,000 has to be made up in order to pay current expenses at Tuskegee institute and that the burden of collecting this fund falls upon Booker T. Washington, the trustees have undertaken to increase the endowment fund from $2,000,000 to $5,000,000. The trustees believe that Mr. Washington should be left free to devote his energies entirely to educational work, and to that end have issued an appeal to friends of the institution for more funds.

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A monument costing something like $2,000 has been erected at Charleston, W. Va., in honor of Mr. Samuel W. Starks, late supreme chancellor K. of P., of the jurisdiction of North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. The shaft is made of fine granite, and measures thirty-two feet in height, and is oblisk in shape.

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T. Thomas Fortune, of the New York Age, mentions the following distinguished Negroes, deceased, as worthy of a place in a Negro hal of fame:

1. Richard Allen.
2. Richard Varick.
3. Daniel A. Payne.
4. Frederick Douglass.
5. Robert Purvis.
6. William Still.
7. John M. Langston.
8. B. K. Bruce.
9. George T. Downing.
11. Emanual Fortune.
12. Jonathan C. Gibbs.
13. Norris Wright Curey.
14. Phillis Wheatley.
15. Martha B. Briggs.
16. Fanny Jackson Coppin.
17. Sarah S. J. Garnet.
18. Alexander Crummell.
19. Henry Highland Garnet.
20. John Peterson.
21. Paul Lawrence Dunbar.

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Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., refused admission to a Japanese student recently, because according to the opinion of the city attorney it would be a violation of the Tennessee law forbidding the co-education of the races.

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Thomas Sorrell, aged 94 years, of Brownsville, Pa., believed to be the oldest Negro in this section and distinguished as having made the shoebox in which "Shoebox" Miller, a bank robber, was smuggled from the Western penitentiary in Pittsburg more than twenty years ago, died recently of pneumonia. Sorrell was a shoemaker in and out of the penitentiary, and during the early days in this section was an expert at his trade. He made shoes for many leading men in Pittsburg, including Dr. Brashear and the father of Secretary of State Philander C. Knox. His fortune is set down at $90,000.

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The trustees of the Morris Brown University, of Atlanta, have purchased 632 acres of land in East Macon for $25,000 and have announced that a Negro industrial school or large proportions will be established here at an early date. The land purchased includes a fine farming tract, which it is intended to make remunerative, although worked by pupils of the school.

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NEW ORLEANS.—The Supreme Court of Louisiana, in a decision handed down last week, held that a Negro has a vested right to a seat in a street car, despite "Jim Crow" law in effect in New Orleans and other Louisiana cities, and that he cannot be moved from a seat in the white compartment of a car, provided there is no seat in the Negro section.

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The appeal was that of John Anderson against the New Orleans Railways and Light company. The court affirms the verdict and damages awarded Anderson and increases the amount from $50 to $250. The partitions on the street cars here are movable. The opinion holds that a conductor has a right to move the partitons, but continues: "Where a passenger has found a seat in the compartment assigned to his race the officer has no right by moving the partition to put him in the wrong compartment when there is no seat to be found in the compartment thus newly established for his race." A number of other cases based upon the "Jim Crow" law now are pending in the courts.

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TESTIMONIALS.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a married woman and have been for ten years. I had only lived six months in any peace on earth in my home until I consulted this worthy woman, two years ago, and since then my home, by taking her advice, has been all that any family could wish. I am, your sister in Christ,

MRS. W. H. H.,
Sherman, Texas.

To Whom It May Concern:

My dear readers, you are missing half of your life in misery and shame, worrying with a man that will not try once to please you, cherish or comfort you, and hold a bright light of good moral conduct before his children, by making home happy. Now, listen; if you have sighed, worried, cried and pleaded with him, and to no avail, you pray and let Madame McNairdee advise you. I know you will never regret it. My husband was a drunkard, a runabout and all-around gambler, and the most wicked man tht our Lord ever let live, until all at once, after reading so often of this woman, I took up courage and let her hear from me. Today I will say it on a stairsteps of bibles, I have a model man in every respect. I will praise this woman as long as I have breath. She made my husband a man, a husband, a gentleman.

I am yours in Christ and S. M. T.,
MRS. T. G. D.,
Oklahoma, Okla.

My Dear Friends:

I am now making my own volunteer statement because this lady has caused me to be so happy. I would like so much to give you my name, but I hope you know why. I went with a young man two years and we spat all the time. We were twice engaged and he would disappoint me until I consulted this wonderful lady. Now we are married, and have been for nearly three years. He is so nice and kind to me. I told him a few months ago of this advice and he would not agree with me until he lost his job, and he then made up his mind, and do you know that my husband has one of the best jobs of his life by consulting her. No matter what you want to do or know, let her hear from you, and I vow you will never regret it. I can not help believing that she is sent of God to do just what she is doing, and you never hear of a thing ugly that she has done. I visited her during the K. of P. Supreme Lodge, and never met a nicer lady. I am a Christian and a leader in a good many church clubs. We chatted a good deal of such things. I find her very entertaining. I am, as ever, her friend,

MRS. JOSIE T. M.,
Washington, D. C.

To Whom It May Concern:

I have always been one of those that did not give any thought of this until about four years ago I had a great trouble and it cost me almost every dime I had, and my mother asked me one day to tell some of this trouble to this woman that we read so much about in our papers. Mother says, "I feel that she can help you." I had to laugh with tears in my eyes, for I was in jail; then, finally, I said, "Suit yourself; anything now, so I come clear and get out of here." She let this woman hear from her and about me. We never can forget what this woman said in reply. She said in substance, "If you will pray and trust in God, I will do the rest." And bless her today and forever, I was called to trial and every witness that could be found spoke in my behalf, and those who did not could not be found. I was returned to jail twice and then set free. Do you blame me for saying she is a power unknown, to help those who seek her aid? I am now doing business for myself and making good. Every months I send her $20. I have done this for four months, and shall always divide my last dime with her. I am her friend at all times.

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Will Judge Hook get the hooks? Kelly miller would have it that way.

And it looks as if the President will reach a ripe old age; ne will be in the running when the times comes.

Now if the Low Cost ofLiving League succeeds merely in checking the upward flight of prices it will have done something.

No one talks but father, said Theo dore Roosevelt Jr., when asked a leading question concerning the senior Roosevelt's political intentions.

James E. Watson says that he has no designs on Congress. Well, Jim is a good one. He ought not be ashamed to own up if he really wants the job.

The dear old Sun returns to us resplendent and warming as if it were ashamed of the cold neglect. Well, we will forgive the past if it will consent to tarry with us a while.

And perhaps the "Demonstrator" thinks we have yet said nothing. Well, if it will train the glasses a little close, it will discover things. By the way, that publication might talk out since it had nerve to call our hand.

The proposed appointement of Judge Hook to the Supreme Court bench has stirred up a hornet's nest. He is at once charged with pro-corporation, Populistic and Anti-Negro tendencies. Conflicting testimony, to say the least.

J. W. Campbell of Kentucky, well known in mining circles, was in the city this week attending the convention of the United Mine Workers of America. Mr. Campbell is a force among the miners, a fact recognized by his coworkers. He has held places of profit and trust, which he filled with distinction and credit.

It is now said that $25,000 will be needed to make a satisfactory memorial hall of the Douglass homestead. It's all right; just make ou the papers and pass them around. A responsible committee of three or more in every community of considerable Negro population will have no trouble in getting the necessary amount. Every Negro that knows the Douglass name will drop something in the "pot." Pass it around.

In dealing with the political situation seen elsewhere in this issue it was not thought necessary to speak of the governmental principles that are being espoused by the different candidates. They are not vitally apart on the issues. All of the candidates hope to gain the good will of the poeple, consequently no vicious theories are being advocated. We have confined our argument strictly to the racial phase, deeming it of more importance to the race, for the determining of future political activity.

The mob genius must have become sorely vexed at the slow progress being made. It got busy down in Hamilton, Ga., and sent up four to make merry over. The information says:

"A mob of 100 men tonight broke into the Harris County Jail here, overpowered the jailor and took four Negroes, three menand one woman, out and hanged them to trees one mile from town. The bodies were riddled with bullets. It is estimated that 300 shots were fired."

This was the evening of January 22. The work is no longer applauded, ano we think that at no distant day the "actors" will exit. They are bad actors.

After all New York may not get its Negro regiment. Colonel William Wilson, of Geneva, N. Y., president of the National Guard association of the state of New York, came out squarely against the organization of a Negro regiment in that state in his address at the opening session of the thirty-fourth annaul meeting of the association.

"Were a regiment of Negroes," he said, "to be organized in the National Guard it would give to them an authorized strength largely in excess of their numerical proportion to the population of the state; and finally, I believe this assocation should oppose class legislation or class distinction as something to be avoided because likely to lead to accumulative trouble. For this reason, if no other, the organization of a class regiment of whatever color or creed, should be frowned upon."

A most beautiful theory if the thing applied generally, that there be no distinction in institutions or in places of any kind—its the great desire. But what's the use of the fine talk on the matter. We all know what's what. Race distinction is almost a state and national sanctioned custom.

The following ballot by the Indianapolis Star may prove interesting to our readers. It represents an expression of Democratic voters of the State of Indiana as to their presidential preference:

William J. Bryan	3,403
John W. Kern	3,128
Woodrow Wilson	1,629
Thomas R. Marshall	723
Judson Harmon	166
Champ Clark	96
Joseph W. Folk	93
Theodore Roosevelt	59
Thomas Taggart	23
O. W. Underwood	13
W. S. Gaynor	7
Henry Watterson	6
Lew Shank	5
F. L. Feick	4
Scattering—One vote each for Jacob S. Coxey, Mark Littleton, James O'Gorman, John A. M. Adair, Augustus O. Stanley	5
Total	9,360

AT KENTUCKY CAPITAL.

The Progress of Coleman & Bros.—The Capital Social Club Organizes a Band—The Installation of Knights of Pythias—Many Entertainments—Personal and Social Happenings.

(By Hardin Tolbert News Bureau. Telephones: .New 458, Old 654. 425 Washington Street.)

FRANKFORT, Ky., (Special) Jan. 27.—Among the worthy and progressive young men whose tact and energy is of a great value to the community, and who is not afraid to venture out upon their own resources and make conditions, instead of waiting for years, and saying I could have done that, but these two young men who are located on Wilkerson street, with a full line of goods and with all the conveniences, the people of this city are looking forward to their interests and whenever they want coal they always give them the first chance at the deal. The patronage of our people and a vast number of white people adds largely to the business of the Coleman Bros. They have both phones. Their promptness of delivery is one of the greatest means by which they have won so much of their success among the people. They are active members of the church and are always ready to lend a helping hand to their fellow-citizens.

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The Capital Social club met on Friday night and organized a band, which will be supported by the best of the citizens. Mr. T. L. Brooks has consented to be their business manager along financial lines. Mr. Brooks is a prominent contractor of this city who erected the $10,000 Odd Fellows hall, and Hume hall, and the trade building at the Normal Institute, which reflects much credit upon his ability and his race. The band will be managed by the citizens, who will take stock in the organization. It will not be restricted to members of the club alone, and if anyone in the city desires to become a member of the band and does not belong to the club it will be all right; no objection will be made by the members of the club, because all of the citizens will take out stock in it for the general good of the city, and not for the club alone. So here is your chance. Come on, boys, and take the opportunity as it is right before you, and there is no better chance than right now.

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The regular annual election held by the B. K. Bruce Company D, resulted in the election of the following officers: Mr. J. J. Allen, captain; G. W. Childs, first lieutenant; S. M. Frank, second lieutenant; Aaron Gudgle, M. E.; C. H. Scith, recorder; Percy Hayden, quartermaster sergeant; H. C. Fields, right guide; Fred Allen, left guide; J. L. Brooks, first corporal; A. T. Batty, second corporal; T. Peay, third corporal. The installation will occur on the night of February 12, after which the company will be entertained by Col. Geo. Moore, at his residence on Washington street.

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The Pythian Juniors held their annual election with following results: James Butcher, captain; Franklin Simpson, first lieutenant; Henry Garnet, second lieutenant; John Hayes, recorder; P. Peay, treasurer and father of the little boys, and much credit is due him for his work with them; George Mason, first sergeant; Andrew Peay, second sergeant; Elwood Arnet, quartermaster; Robert Clark, first corporal; Henry K. Jackson, second corporal; Geo. Russell, third sergeant; Ernest Wooldridge, fourth corporal.

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Many of the people are looking forward to the success of the first entertainment of the session. Ruth Temple will give the first grand entertainment of the session at the Odd Fellows' hall the 29 of this month, so don't forget to get a ticket from one of the women who are out in the field right now.

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The Pythian Juniors will present the next grand entertainment of the session February 1st, so don't forget the date and govern yourself accordingly.

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After the resignation of Mr. Garrett Smith, to accept a job with Dr. Bruner, who is president of a trust company in Louisville, Mr. Robert Hall was elected president of the Capital Social club, in Mr. Smith's place, but the club was very sorry to lose such a worthy member as Mr. Smith.

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Mr. F. Davis of Berrytown, was a guest in this city for a few days.

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A large number of first-class caterers of Louisville, were in the city on business. They were Messrs. T. Thomas, M. Gaoza, W. Wilson, J. W. Mayson, W. H. Wilson, C. Sleets, W. M. Poce and A Miller. These special caterers visited the historical places of the city, the new state capitol and the Normal Institute and city school, and were very much pleased with this city. Many of them expressed desires of living in this city, and perhaps will come back and make their homes here after seeing such a lively city. We extend a welcome to them at all times.

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Dr. Alanda Rodman, a student of the Indiana pharmacy college, in his senior year, is in the city for a while visiting relatives.

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Misses Anna R. Bryant and Carrie Johnson will play the leading ladies in the Freeman & Collins minstrel, which will be presented at the Capital theater soon.

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Rev. M. Jackson, of Louisville, evangelist of the Christian church, was the guest of Rev. Jamerson of the same denomination. Rev. Jackson is making a revival tour through the state and is now at Midway, engaged in that service.

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Miss Violet Martin is spending a few days in Louisville, visiting friends.

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Miss Sadie Hawkins left for Louisville, to spend a few days with friends.

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Mrs. M. Thompson and Sue Smith left for Lexington to attend the funeral of Mr. Spencer Fields.

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Mrs. Annie Richardson arrived in the city from Indianapolis to be the guest of her mother, Mrs. Katie Richardson for a few weeks.

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Mr. H. C. Tandy, of Lexington, grand master of the United Brothers of Friendship and the Sisters of the Mysterious Ten, passed through the city.

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Miss Cassie Wensinger left for Cincinnati to spend a week.

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Mrs. Addie Smith, matron at the Normal Institute, delivered an eloquent address Sunday afternoon before the Kings' Daughters—theme, "John the Baptist,"—in the recitation hall of the girl's dormitory. Miss Mayden Coleman, the youngest teacher in the faculty of that institution, followed Mrs. Smith with a few brief remarks of interest to the Kings' Daughters.

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The following were called to Harrisburg on account of the illness of Mrs. Mary Foster: Mr. Muphey Polk and wife Mrs. Mattie Miller and Mr. Thomas Payne.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garrett are happy over the arrival of a little girl in their family, who is named after her mother, Geneva Garrett.

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Miss Alice Bush is improving from a hard spell of the rheumatism.

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Mr. Harvey Tolbert arrived in the city from Indianapolis, to be the guest of Miss Lillian Ellis.

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Mr. Hardin Tolbert, general newspaper correspondent, lectured to the Kings' Daughters at the Normal Institute Sunday afternoon.

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Mr. T. L. Smith, captain of the Capital social club baseball team, will organize a football team for this session. Arrangements are now being made.

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Mrs. Mary Randolph, of Lexington, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Ellis and daughter.

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Miss R. Bryant, of Louisville, passed through the city en route to Lexington.

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Miss Carrie Slaughter, of Lexington, passed through the city en route to Louisville.

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Rev. J. Fisher, of iWnchester, was called to Louisville to hold revival at the Lampkins Baptist church of which Rev. Bates is pastor.

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Miss and Kissers, vaudeville performers of Jackson, Tenn., passed through the city from Lexington en route to Louisville.

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Miss R. Maupin, who has been at the Normal Institute, left for her home in Richmond.

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Prof. J. T. Smith, principal of the high school of Versailles, and author of the "Boy Problem," was in the city on business.

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Mr. William Brown has accepted a po sition in Louisville as bar tender for Mr. Tom White.

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Mr. Richard H. Clark, a popular young man of Shelbyville, is making good as manager of shows and vaudeville in that city. Mr. Clark is a hustling young man and deserves credit.

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Mr. Hardin Tolbert, general newspaper correspondent, will make a tour over the state and give write-ups of prominent citizens, progress of cities and appoint agents for this paper. When in Louisville, Mr. Tolbert will be the guest of Mr. Lee L. Brown, for several days.

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Miss Minnie B. Whittaker, of Shelbyville, an attractive and fascinating young lady who is well known as a soprano vocalist, was called to Evansville, on account of the illness of Mrs. Dupee.

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Saffell and Saffell's undertaking establishment has a very attrFactive calendar, which has been highly complimented by some of the most prominent people in the city, and everyone else who has seen them. Mrs. Saffell is the only colored woman undertaker in the state, and they are located at Shelbyville, Ky.

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The Freeman is on sale at the Frankfort Pressing Clug. Don't forget to take a copy.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Grandma Washington continues very ill at the home of her grandson, Ambrose Pendleton....Miss Simpkins, of Windsor, Ont., arrived in the city last week, to make her home with her uncle, Mr. J. J. Adams....Miss Grace Green is visiting her parents in Sand Lake....The Stewardess Board will give an entertainment in the lecture room at Arnet chapel, February 29....The fourth Sunday in each month will be observed as parents' day by Arnett chapel Sunday school, at 12:15 p. m. All are welcome. On the first Sunday night in February the Church Aid will give their second sacred program....An Allen Christian Endeavor Society was organized Sunday night. The officers are president, Mrs. Emma Ford; vice president, Mrs. Maggie Saunders; recording secretary, Edward Gass; corresponding secretary, Thomas Pasket; treasurer, Hope Johnson; organist, Edna Ballard; librarian, Edna Lee; reporter, Bessie Barnett. The meetings will be held every Sunday at 6 p. m....Mary Boyd continues ill at her home....Those reported on the sick list are Mary Bell, Mr. Goodin, Anna Hall, Lena Gilbert, Grandma Palmer....Miss Reed, of Cincinnati, O., will spend the winter in our city with Mrs. Robins, of Commerce street.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

T. J. Bagby and Others Venture on a Business Enterprise—Are You One of Them to Try?—Negro Business Needs the Financial Aid of the Masses—The Teachers Should Have Their Pay.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The bright sunshine brings hope to all mankind in Texas, after several weeks which taxed the skill of the best specialists, surgeons and physicians and medical students in the city of Dallas. The colored people have worked heroically with odds against those in the low, damp districts and rented shacks, where many of them live because of their cheapness and unsanitary conditions which have existed for many years here. All are beginning to look cheerful and hope the so-called epidemic is over, but are using due caution in a sanitary way, as can be expected, here and there to wipe out every trace of diseases of any nature. It looks like a blessing in disguise to have the whole city cleaned up and put into sanitary condition, as the laws require, and see to it that all sections are hereafter kept that way. The reporter of The Freeman sounds a warning to those who make it a business to hunt cheap houses in low, unsanitary places to cease that practice unless better houses are to be had in such places as Boggie Bayou, Frogtown, East Dallas, South Dallas and several other well-known places where our people are housed in unsanitary shacks. Many of you can do better. So do it now. Don't wait until the inspectors inform you to get a better house to live in, which should be done and the sooner the better for every one concerned. Every loyal citizen deplored the conditions but are hoping for the better for all people....Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thornton, of Dallas, wish to thank the good people of Birmingham, Ala., and other places for kindnesses shown them in behalf of their daughter, who died in that city on the 7th of this month. Mrs. Thornton was at the bedside of her daughter, who was Mrs. L. V. Goan, when the end came. Her husband joined her and was at the funeral. They express their gratitude to one and all for floral offerings and other courtesies in these, their mournful hours....Mr. oJe Watson, of Ada, Okla., spent several days here visiting relatives and friends. He takes The Freeman as a companion for the wife in his absence....Mr. R. A. Perkins and R. C. Jones is the new tailoring firm doing business at 1723 Buford street, and want a chance at your work....Happy Fred Matthews, the chef, is on duty at the Calvert cafe, pleasing the patrons ....Mr. Joe Roscoe is at the new bar on Live Oak, the York; where he wishes his friends to call....Mrs. Jennie Brownlee, who has been very ill for some time at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weatherington, 2626 Bryon street, is very much improved....Mr. Ben Wilson and Mr. Madie Madden are pleasing their patrons at the new bar recently opened at 2628 Elm street. If the Negro business keeps what you want, why do we see so many of the race going to white places in the same locality for their needs. Don't all the business folks speak at once....Mr. O. E. Richardson, the tailor, is teaching the tailoring business in the Maderson building. All young men desiring to learn the tradFe should go....Mr. D. V. Hooper, the druggist, sold his lot to the city, so that in future the colored high school can be enlarged in order to meet the growing population of Greater Dallas as a Negro school center of the West. ....If you have progressive ideas, push them, so others will know it....Use The Freeman in your home and business; it will help your customers and you too.... The school board has had their say about the teachers' pay, yet there are some dissatisfied. The Freeman thinks that they should have their pay and lose no time on account of these forced conditions. It is a great loss to all the pupils, and yet the end is not in sight, but conditions are much better....Why don't our Negroes in business show some of their progress by enlarging that business and increasing its capacity, giving employment to others of the race as other races are doing from time to time. There must be some reason for this grave failure. We say that the big Negro and the so-called little Negro must join hands in a proper business way and do business and some relief will come to all....Mr. Jack Baggby has associated with him some thirty men who are soon to start a mercantile business for the general public to join in and make it a success. You and others are invited to take stock in the company. All it takes is a little more stirring.

NATIONAL NEGROES' INDUSTRIAL AND PROTECTIVE UNION OF AMERICA.

Its Object Is to Unite the Race in Self-Defense—Our Preamble.

First.—Organization being the foundation of Christian civilization, and the unit upon which all power springs, to this end we organize to better Christianize and secure such strength as will better our race.

Second.—As evolution is the great medium that brings the changes and causes man to struggle and fight for alteration in the system of the state and church government, therefore we organize to educate our race in this field.

Third.—As this is seemingly the age of class struggle for industrial and political rights, and knowing as we do the discrimination, we have labored under in the past, and are now laboring under and realizing the disadvantages of individual effort, we therefore resolve to unite ourselves to better enable us to co-operate our race with those of the Caucasian race who believe first, that God made all men, second, in all citizens of our government having the opportunity of enjoying all the rights and privileges, and the pursuits of happiness as laid down in the Constitution of our government equal.

Fourtr.—That no race can hope to grow strong financially nor industrially while divided, is a fact that cannot be denied. Therefore we resolve to teach our race the principles to the end, that we may share our part of the financial and industrial world.

Fifth.—The matter of time to labor is one of the greatest problems that civilization has to solve and define, but as man must of necessity divide the twenty-four hours allotted to day and night for work and rest, we therefore resolve to study that problem to enable us to keep pace with the demand of the age.

Sixth.—As capital and labor are the two great factors in the production of wealth, and as pleasure and happiness are the result of labor and capital, we therefore demand that our race study the problem of capital and labor, to the end that we may know and understand each of these factors' rightful positions.

Seventh.—Resolve to labor and use all honorable means to have all laws abrogated which prevent our race from enjoying full freedomship as any other race in this country and as laid down in the Constitution of our government.

Eighth.—Resolve to do everything in our power by fair means to destroy the color of racial lines in many of the trade unions that work such hardships on many men and women of our race, and thereby bring the industrial class in perfect love and harmony as otherwise it cannot be.

Ninth.—To educate our race to the value of a job, and the duty an employee owes his employer, that all classes of business men may not hesitate in giving to us what we merit.

Tenth.—To demand a better common school system for the education of our children, and to do all in our power to keep them in school until they attain the age of fourteen years.

Eleventh.—As ninety-six per cent of our race do manual labor, therefore be it resolved that we do all in our power to prove to all classes that our labor is worth as much as any other race or nationality in this country, and that we are determined to use all honorable means to accomplish this end, that we will be better able to support ourselves and families.

Twelfth.—That we are determined not to cease our efforts until we shall have secured peace and friendship with capital and labor, and the social virtues of all the good citizens of our country. That neither state nor church can find cause to deny our rights or will stand idly by and permit one to do so. God being our guide we will follow.

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DEATH OF JAMES CLIPPARD.

Employe of Illinois Central Expires at Daughter's Home.

Champaign (Ill.) Special.

James Clippard, who was employed in the wood yards of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, died at 4:15 o'clock Wednesday morning, January 17, following an attack of bowel trouble. He was taken seriously ill while at work on Monday morning and from that time on grew worse until his death. He was a resident of Champaign only six months. Death occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Benson Maze, at 705 North Prairie street.

James Clippard was born in Missouri sixty-one years ago. He lived in that State until he came to Champaign to reside with his daughter, his former home being at Cape Girardeau, Mo. Mrs. Maze is his only local living relative.

The remains were snent to Cape Giardeau, and the funeral was held at that place under the auspices of the colored Odd Fellows' lodge.

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Mrs. Emma Perkins has been ill but is better....Miss Inez Moss has been ill but is improved....There was a musical entertainment given at Mrs. Lester Johnson's home, 508 North Hickory street, Thursday evening for the benefit of the Salem Baptist Church. Mrs. Johnson recited a selection from Paul Lawrence Dunbar. Music was furnished by Miss Helen Johnson. Mrs. Lester Johnson assisted....Mr. and Mrs. John Perry left for St. Louis Saturday morning to spend a few days with Mr. Perry's people....Mr. Wm. J. Prince, a colored student, who is on the debating teFam at the University of Illinois, was made a Delta Sigma Rue, the first colored gentleman to be taken into a white fraternity....The Monarch Club is expecting to give a formal dance ebruary 8....Miss Elizabeth Richardson, of Danville, has come to live with Mrs. Robert Green.... Rev. A. T. aJckson, who is pastor of the Bethel Church at Danville, was home last week....Miss Alice Moore, of Urbana, completed her course in the Champaign High School January 17 and will receive her diploma at the commencement in June.

BOWLING GREEN, KY.

Dr. O. M. Reynolds, of Alabama, Makes Good at the State Board of Medicine in Kentucky.

(By J. F. Moxley.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dr. O. M. Reynolds, an Alabaman by birth and who has been practicing in Chattanooga, Tenn., spent January 18 and 19 in the city visiting his classmates and friends. He recently passed an excellent examination before the Kentucky Board of Medicine and reports that though it had been said to him that the board was unfair to colored applicants, he received the white applicants. He advises a thorough preparation for the Kentucky Board of Medicine examination....Dr. R. F. Boyd, of Nashville, Tenn., was in the city a few hours last week. He came to visit Dr. O. D. Porter, who has been on the sick list....Miss Mary de Hilton Robinson, who has been teaching at the Bowling Green Academy, has resigned her position to accept a place in the Shelbyville schools....Mrs. Maggie Taylor, wife of Mr. Alferd Taylor, departed this life on January 13 after a protracted illness.... Mr. James T. Wilson is on the sick list at his residence on aPrk street....Miss Anna May Mack, of Franklin, Ky., spent Thursday and Friday with Miss Mattie Clay, of 285 High street....Miss Virgie Covington and Miss Florence Smith are spending a few days in Woodburn with Mrs. Sarah Covington....The Allen Christian Endeavor League at Taylors' Chapel A. M. E. Church opened at 6:30 p. m. Sunday. The topic on the life of the foreign missionary was a most inspiring one. The services were opened by J. F. Moxley, followed by the members of the league. The young people of the city are cordially invited to attend these meetings.

MUNCIE (IND.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Calvary Baptist church is in the midst of a great revival. Rev. G. W. Ward, of Indianapolis, assisted for one week. His sermons proved a great benefit to all. Many have been reclaimed and converted. On January 21 the pastor planned an all-woman's service. More than 150 women assembled at the church at 3 p. m., and heard a most inspiring message from Miss P. Wilson. All services Sunday, January 21, were well attended. Collection, $29.30..The Literary Society meets Tuesday night, the 23rd.... Mr. Clarence Hill has gone to Indianapolis, to visit his aunt, Mrs. Gertrude Hill. He will return in about three weeks.... Miss Frances White, of Chicago, is here, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. White, and other relatives....Mr. Grant has been down sick, but is getting some better....The Calvary Baptist church is now in splendid condition....Mrs. Mayanic E. Watkins, of Kansas, who is visiting Rev. Mitchell, is a proud mother of a very fine boy....The Washington Bros., of Cleveland, O., the grand jubilee singers, played in Hartford City, Thursday night, January 18. They returned to Muncie and left this city Monday night, January 22....Miss Evans, the great evangelist of Wilberforce University, will be in the city to attend the revival......Mr. Knizer, of Newcastle, Fis the guest of the Pekin hotel....Mr. Bailey, of Indianapolis, is in the city and is stopping at the Pekin....The mountain climbers have organized a baseball club for the coming season....Miss Hazel Adams' home was the meeting place of the Y. P. C. club, Saturday, January 20. The club will meet with Mrs. Lizzie Mays, 615 Kirby avenue ....Mrs. Caroline Watkins is sick at 726 East Seymour street....Miss Edith Price is visiting her mother, Mrs. Price, in South Madison street.

LOGANSPORT, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Allen's church debating club is running along under the leadership of Mr. Abbey, very nicely. A goodly showing for its first regular meeting turned out last Monday night. An excellent program was rendered....Mrs. Helen B. Carter, after a few days' visit with friends, returned home from Chicago. 28 below in Chicago, she says. Sure thing, it's 24 here.... Mrs. Irvin Cordell is very sick. We hope all will go well and that she recovers.... Mr. James Carter is ill and confined to his home....Rev. White is down with la grippe. Rev. Henry Harris served Sunday night instead, delivering a wonderful message, full of thought and oratory. It was grand and showed study of the good book....Mr. A. A. Whitted, of Rockville, returning from Jeffersonville, where he visited Mrs. Ogelsby, his daughter, remained over with Mr. and Mrs. Harris on his way to visit his son at Culver.

SOUTH BEND, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

St. P. Ruffin Club gave a leap year party Friday evening, January 26, at the home of Mrs. Eli Stewart, on Chapin street. It was a grand success....Mr. Chambers and Mr. Moore have opened a dancing academy at the K. of P. Hall on North Main street. Everybody invited to attend....Miss Bessie Crittenden, of 922 East LaSalle street, is on the sick list. We hope for her speedy recovery....The Masonic Grand Lodge of the State of Michigan is in session at Niles, Mich., this week....Mr. Verley Smith has opened a billiard and pool room, together with a cigar stand, on West Colfax avenue....Among those critically ill are: Mrs. Lavica Powell, South Main street; Mr. L. Elliott, Polk street....Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell, of 110½ Colfax avenue, entertained the Married Folks' Club at the K. of P. Hall Wednesday evening, January 17. All present had a delightful time. Cards and dancing were features of the evening. The club will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bland, of Court street, next meeting....The Afro-American Order of Orioles (formerly the Owls) will meet every Friday evening at the Masonic Hall.

LANGSTON, OKLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

President T. E. Page has returned from Oklahoma City, where he has been attending to business for the school.... Prof. Woodard, who succeeded Prof. Dangus as teacher in agriculture, has arrived ....Mrs. Braux has returned from Boston, where she spent the holidays....Mr. E. A. McNeal will leave for Previen, Tex., to attend the national convention of the Y. M. C. A. from the university....Mr. A. B. Stewart has returned from Mira, La....Always see Bowles for The Freeman.

NEWS OF EVERGREEN, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. G. W. Lewis, pastor of the M. E. church here, delivered an address at the Bethel Baptist church, and the same was listened to by many. The subject was "The Negro of Yesterday and Today and Tomorrow," which was very interesting.. ..Prof. Leon T. Blevin, of Greenville, Ala., visited Evergreen last Sunday. Mr. Blevin is a well-knokn young man throughout the state of Alabama, and one of the leading cornet players of the South; also a teacher of music....Read The Freeman for all Negro news. Leave your subscription at F. Purifoy's shoe shop.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Timberlick, of West State street, is slowly improving from her illness.... Mrs. Reacy O'Leary, of 508 South West street, is a fine musician, being an expert on the piano....Mrs. Henry Davis, of 780 South Koscinsko street, has a very sore finger which gives her much pain.... S. Arbuckle is some better at this writing....Mr. William Morrison, of Madison street, is some better....Esther May Dugan, of South West street, is improving. ....Mrs. Mattie Carpenter, of South Manaistere street, has fully recovered from a serious attack of appendicitis. Dr. Hall was the attending physician....Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Sharp royally entertained at a dinner in honor of Rev. G. C. Mason, of Alton, Ill.; E. H. Borden, of Paris; Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Eliza Smith, of Monmouth. A four-course dinner was served, and fine music was furnished by the orchestra. The home was beautifully decorated. A number of guests were in attendance....Mrs. Winnie Holmes, of 8 Hardin avenue, is some better at present. ....The death of Mrs. Ellen Freeman was a regretable occurrence. She died at the home of her daughter in Chicago. She was brought home for burial. The funeral services were held at Mount Emory Baptist Church.

ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

E. W. Pearson, our district deputy, has recovered from an attack of acute indigestion. All of his friends are glad to see him out again....The Willson Undertaking Company has made a very brave start....Mrs. R. H. Loder has made himself famous in Asheville....Freeman on sale by Staggs.

BELOIT, WIS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Tomisine Payne, of Rockford, Ill., is the guest of Miss Edna Strothers for a few days....Mrs. Dora Dixon is very ill at her home in East Grand avenue....Mr. rank Alexander was a Chicago visitor Saturday and Sunday....The Dunbar Literary Society will entertain friends at a social to be given Friday evening in the A. M. E. church.

TULSA, OKLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Hanciel Crags is over in Okmulgee, Okla., this week....Rev. Sherman was called to Boling, Okla., on account of sickness..Mr. Nathan Dosey was married to Miss Carrie Nollis Resaney.... Miss Riley of Sapulpa, was married to Leonard Johnson this week....Mrs. Zoda Holmes is on the sick list this week.... Little Margaret Black went through an operation Saturday and is doing nicely.. ..The A. M. E. church gave a masquerade ball Tuesday night and it was quite a success....The G. M. of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. will make his annual visit in Tulsa soon....Mr. L. P. Greene, of Sapulpa, passed through here Friday en route to Muskogee....Miss Roberta Brestow passed through Tulsa Saturday, en route to Tallahasha, Okla....See Griffin for The Freeman every Saturday.

The Freeman for sale in Savannah, Ga., by Wm. Boyd, 416 West Broad street.

CINCINNATI THEATERS.

The Gaither Gives Up.

"Now is the winter of our discontent," are the words of Shakespeare, and well may the words be applied to the theatrical situation on Fifth avenue at the present time. The mayor ordered the Gaither theater closed last week after the building inspector examined the premises and found that the house was not constructed, or being operated in accordance with the present building laws of this city. The order came like a bolt out of a clear sky. The house was packed with an interesting crowd, and it was several hours before the new order could be fully understood. His Honor, the Mayor, gave out a statement later that the house did not contain the necessary exits to secure the public safety, and could not be opened until the proper improvements were made. The future of the little Fifth avenue house has not been determined, as Mr. E. G. Gaither, the proprietor, would not say just what his future plans are. A report from the building inspector's office, shows that if the law was complied with to the letter there would only be a few of the picture houses allowed to operate as they are now constructed. Notwithstanding the fact the Pekin has a clear field at present, the management booked one of the strongest bills of the season. Miss Carrie May Hall, that winsome little soubrette, opens the card and captivated her audiences with several clever songs. Billy Caldwell, one of the funniest comedians of this day, follows with a couple of new songs that caught the crowds, and his eccentric dancing was the best ever seen around here. The queen of all sister teams closes a very interesting program, Johnson and Roper. The oftener this team plays this city the better they are liked. The name of Johnson and Roper always insures a packed house all week. The act is the one they have put on here once before, with the exception of new songs. Miss Roper sang "My Bill From Louisville," while Miss Johnson featured "My Little Georgia Rose." Both ladies received a tremendous ovation.

Notes.

Miss Jannie Troy is the popular illustrated song singer at the Pekin theater.

The Wireless Telephone Trio, Harper, Perkins and Stewart, left this city for Lexington, Ky. the week of January 21, after filling an extended engagement in this city.

Miss Virginia Dean, of this city, has just returned home from Lexington, Ky., where she has been engaged as illustrated singer of moving pictures at the Lincoln theater.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

The Temple theater was opened on the 14th of January with a first-class stock company headed by Mrs. Edna Landry Benbow. The company is owned by Mrs. Ed Lee and Wm. Benbow, who have joined hands and opened a circuit of houses througnout Louisiana.F Two houses are now in operation, the Temple theater, in New Orleans, and the Bernard, in Baton Rouge, La., with four more to follow in ten days. All performers watch for our ad in The reeman. We will be able to use sixty people. After working our circuit we can book you through Texas to California, with eight houses to work.

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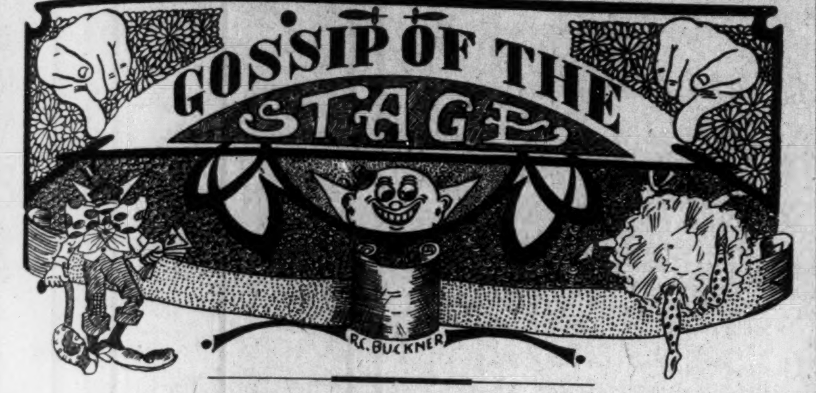

Simms and Thompson, week of January 29, Crescent theater, New York, full week.

Cooper and Robinson are furnishing considerable fun at Keith's Grand Opera House this week.

Team of Floyd and Floyd in their fourth week in Baltimore. Still leaving them screaming with their funny songs and sketches.

Chicken Reel Beamon was a big success at the Howard week of January 8; Blue Mouse, 15; Crescent, New York, week of January 22.

H. Smallwood, comedian, who has been ill for a few weeks, is able to be out again, now at Dennison, Texas. Will go north in the very near future.

Those two dancing boys, Burton and Chatman, will soon appear in vaudeville with four new and original acts. It will be clean comedy by clean comedians.

The celebrated Leon magician and ventriloquist played the Dixie Theater, Tampa, Fla., week of January 15th. Went big. Would like to hear from all friends. General Delivery, Tampa, Fla.

McNeil and McNeil, refined and comedy sketch artists, after eight success weeks at Grand Theater, Chattanooga, are now at Gem Theater, Dayton, O., where they will be for two weeks only.

Thornton and Long, those two unbleached eccentrics are in their second week at the Dixie Theater, Richmond, Va. On the bill are Ethelin and Luke, that due and Alice Ramsey, the dancing soubrette.

Pewee & Tolliver Co. is still working around Chicago; was at the Ellis Theater last week. Whitehouse Theater the 22-25. They have made several little changes in the act, and are going nicely wherever they appear.

Martin and Martin are at the Star theater, Pittsburg, Pa., in their third week. Mr. Martin is producing the acts in stock. The original J. H. Dumas, of the Johnny Jones Minstrels, is there also, and is a very funny comedian.

T. L. P. H. Davis, the noted baritone singer of this city, is establishing quite a record among theatergoers singing in the various picture houses. Mr. Davis has long ago proven himself a classic singer of the highest standard.

Miss Mamie Payne is now working alone in vaudeville. Was a real hit at the Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis. Would like to hear from friends in and out of the profession. Address 1223 Calahune street, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Thomas, McDonald, Thomas, the ragtime trio, have formed a vaudeville and photaplay road company, which will be known as The Imperial Stock Co. They will play all week stands. Week of January 22, Nashau, Iowa, Granger's opera house.

The two southerners, Johnson and Johnson, were held over for the fourth week at Queen Theater, Wilmington, N. C. Mrs. Johnson is taking three and four encores nightly. Mr. Johnson kQeeps the house in an uproar of laughter from the moment he enters.

Alonzo Moore, magician, says that he has no intention of sailing for Honolulu or China. He is in hiladelphia, Pa., at this time at 727 South 16th street. He is booked with the Ridpath Lyceum Bureau and will begin work the last of May or the first of June.

Baby Jim closed his vaudeville engagement at the Pekin Theater, Chicago, January 15. He scored nicely all the week, and has gone east to play the eastern city, opening in Philadelphia, Pa., January 22. Baby Jim does the Bear Cat dance and it is a knockout.

Harry C. Jenkins, stage manager of the new Grand theater, Chicago, Ill., gave a Chinese luncheon to Sylvester Russell, William Fifer, William D. Evans of the Lyre, Louisville, and two white performers, Mr. Edwards, the horse trainer, and Mr. Houston, the electric cartoonist, one night last week.

Prof. Johnnie Woods, the ventriloquist, joined his wife, Essie Whitman Woods, at Gibson's Auditorium theater, Philadelphia, Pa., week of 15th. Prof. Woods is simply screaming the house with Little Henry, his doll. His wife and her two picks are also taking the house by storm. They go to their home, 410 West Thirty-ninth street, next week for a little rest.

John Berry, the colored Alvora, has been touring two weeks and for two weeks has been having much success at the Grand Theater, Washington, D. C. He will open an indefinite engagement at the Blue Mouse on January 29. Mr. Berry has had a continuous success since his return to Washington and expects to leave for the South after he closes his engagements in the Capitol City.

The Capitol City Quartet drew large houses last week at the Dreamland Theater, San Antonio, Texas. Mrs. Ella B. Moore had to leave us suddenly last Friday to attend the funeral of her mother. We all are in sympathy with her, and hope she will soon return. Miss Birdie Wade, Jolly Davis and Mrs. Anna Overton still please as usual, and sometimes Father Chintz warms things up.

Glenn and Glenn have now finished their time around New York and the East and are working their way south, where they are going in business for themselves. They are at present at the Auditorium Theater, Philadelphia, Pa., for two weeks. From there they go to Washington, D. C.; thence to Charleston, S. C., where they will settle for a while. They are both well and wish their many friends the same blessing. Regards to all, especially the Russell-Owen Stock Company and Brooks Smith Players.

"The Original Sunflower Trio," Burns, Earle and Burns, opened the Alcazar theater at Gillmore, Utah, Monday, aJnuary 15, scoring big in their original act. After the performance we were entertained at the home of Mr. Raymond Gaylor, the young composer and author of "She rests by the Weeping Willow Tree." We can speak nothing but the highest praise for the way Mr. Taylor and parents treated us and hope Mr. Taylor success in all his musical undertakings. The "Sunflower Trio" is now in its eighth week in Utah. We are now under the direction of LaWayne and Fitzgerald. The bunch sends regards to Pete "Single" Kennedy.

THE PASSING SHOW IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

The New Howard.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—The New Howard Theater opened the week Monday night with the proverbial packed house. It has become a part of the religion of the progressive Washingtonian to pay at least one visit per week to Manager Thomas's pretty play house and many of them regard it as an unwritten obligation to be a "first-nighter" so as not to be "behind the excitement" if anything unusual is pulled off.

The bill offered this week, which is far above the average, embraced: "The Samoan Girls, four in number, who do an exceptially neat song and dance specialty; the Royal Singuless Troupe, from Ceylon, genuine East Indians, in an entertaining series of native pastimes; Thomas and Ward, clever sketch artists, who are held over from last week; Geo. Sandifer and Ora Criswell, likewise holdovers, who have been making pronounced hits single-handed. They are putting on one of the best acts seen here this season and may double up permanently. Glenn and Glenn, a team new to the capital, round out a well-balanced evening's entertainment. The musical numbers by Prof. A. Ross' admirable orchestra and the thrilling photo plays add greatly to the enjoyment of the Howard's fashionable clientele.

For the week of February 12 J. Lenbrie Hill's big company in "My Friend From Dixie" is scheduled. Fanny Wise is underlined for an early appearance.

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Footlight Flashes.

Lewis Mitchell is in New oYrk City. He lost his mother recently.

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A series of postcard "remembrances" bring the gratifying news that Mme. Anita Patti Brown is taking her audiences by storm in Jamaica. She is to give a recital here upon her return in the spring.

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The local admirers of Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the dramatic reader, are preparing to give her a royal reception when she returns to her native home next month. She is winning new laurels in Bermuda.

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White and White, the "long and short of it," are at the Fairyland this week. They are clever artists, and Miss Irma is a "show" by herself.

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W. Preston Bayliss, the painstaking writer upon theatrical matters, has gone to Springfield, Ohio, to launch a race journal. He was an attache of the Census office and utilized the opportunity offered by his position to lay the foundation of a brilliant career in his home State. The craft wishes him abundant success.

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With the return of good weather the Hiawatha is drawing its accustomed audiences.

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Some of our very best vaudeville artists content themselves with jokes and specialties of the vintage of 1875 and hide their talents behind vehicles that are sadly frayed at the edges. New material and new ideas are available calling for only the expenditure of a few dollars and some time in which to study. This is a rapid-fire age, and a last decade's reputation won't be accepted as a substitute for real up-to-date merit.

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Washington is ranking up with New York and Chicago as a "show town." Any performer who is worth his salt can get from siv to ten weeks of steady work here, saving much railroad fare and the wear and tear of travel. Managers are all on the "square," too, and believe in "a live and let live" policy.

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J. Henry Lewis, musical director of the Amphian Glee Club, will present a standard opera in May.

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Managers Green and Rayner, of the popular Foraker, never stop for wind or weather. They give a fine bill every week and hold their patrons thereby. The same may be said of Manager H. W. Smith, of the spacious Blue Mouse, in the West End.

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S. Tutt Whitney's "Mayor of Newtown" will probably close its season at the Howard in May. The piece is making a furore throughout the Southern circuit. Both the music and comedy features "going big."

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Box parties at the Howard are all the rage among the society folk.

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When Editor W. T. Andrews, of the Sumter (S. C.) Defender, and Dr. J. R. Levy, of Florence, S. C., were here a short time ago they visited several of the larger theaters and were greatly impressed with the outlook for colored theaters in communities where the Negro population is large and thrifty. The doctor and Mr. Andrews each own good sized brick buildings in their respective cities, which may readily be converted into theaters, and they have under contemplation plans for making the necessary changes.

LARGEST VAUDEVILLE BILL EVER PUT ON IN COLORED PLAYHOUSE.

Frank Crowd Smashes All Records for Putting on All-Star Acts.

That inimitable Frank Crowd has gone them one better, for never before in the history of the Negro in vaudeville has a colored theatrical magnate (or even a white one) attempted to put on an all-star bill of headline acts, such as are now being seen at the Globe theater at Jacksonville, Fla.

Several seasons ago, William Morris, termed "the bulldog of American vaudeville," and a white manager, gave the public the largest vaudeville that was ever known in history. Just think of twenty-two acts on one bill. But he went broke. After you have turned your casual optics on the vaudeville bill at the colored playhouse, the Globe theater, at Jacksonville, Fla., and take sight at what that great general of amusements, Mr. Frank Crowd, proprietor, is offering the public there is little wonder that the inscription should be written that "the crowds will follow the Crowd," and that successfully, too. In no theater, North or South, is there a theater giving such a bill as the following: Frank Montgomery, amusement director; May and May, known as hte original String Beans; Frank Montgomery and Florence McClain, Brwn, Clarke and Brown, the Rainey Trio, Buster and Willie Porter, Murial Ringgold, Delainey and Delainey, the Gardners, Moore and Moore and Noble and Holt, with a seven-piece orchestra under the leadership of Eugene Francis Mikell. The curtain went down on the first show at a quarter past one and one of the largest crowds that ever gathered filed out of the theater well pleased and surprised at seeing one of the highest class and largest troupes of players that ever came to Jacksonville.

"What do you think of Crowd?" they said, "there is no limit to his efforts Frank Crowd is really a dare-devil; certainly he is the only colored man in the world that would attempt to give such a bill. William Morris went broke, will Frank Crowd go broke?" But everybody likes that Frank Crowd spirit in business and he cannot help but win who says "What it takes to give a show I'll have it," and that is what Mr. Crowd has said. So that is the reason that he is breaking all records with the variety show financially and every other way. He knows you've got to spend it to make it and that is the reason he is making it.

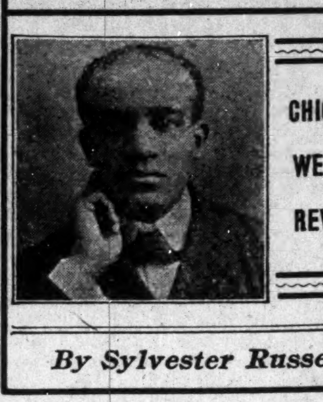
—C. D. M.

THE AUDITORIUM THEATER.

South Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Program—Brown and Brown, singing comedians and dancers; Prof. John W. Woods, ventriloquist, a novelty within a novelty; Dahomean Trio, Aunt Dinah's boys, they talk, they play brass, they sing and oh! such funny dances; Crosby and his Creole Belles, in a plantation sketch, "From Plantation to the Parlor." The show is extraordinarily strong and playing to crowded houses.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC



CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW

By Sylvester Russell

CHICAGO THEATRICALS.

The Smart Set Returns to the Alhambra.

S. H. Dudley and the Smart Set Company returned to the Alhambra January 21, for a week's stay. "Dr. Beans From Boston," which was again presented, elicited as much merriment as on its formal introduction. S. H. Dudley fairly bubbled over with mirth and lively sayings. His song, "What Did I Say That For," was a successful repeater. Arthur Talbot gave excellent satisfaction dramatically as the hotel keeper. James Burris was an excellent straight man in keeping Dudley supplied with wisdom. Henry Troy, the boy with golden chords, in his tenor solo, "Dearest Memories," took five encores. The glee chorus which was excellent again overweighed the singer throughout. Miss Daisy Martin, whose lips were painted red, did nothing amazing in art but her dancing was improved even if her relationship to the burlesque stage is apparent. Alberta Ormes-Dudley again looked fascinating as the fortune teller and wore nice dresses. Rolly Gibson was also clever. Among those in the cast are William Ramsey, Frank DeLyon, Ella Bevins, Arthur Wilson, Hattie Burris, Jessie Harris and others. Will H. Vodery directed the music with skill and George Smith, the trap drummer, again exhibited his skill in that direction. H. C. Ditmas and M. J. Joyce are managers with the company, and James Harris is stage manager. The chorus work this season is better than ever.

Carita Day Returns to the Grand, More Popular than Ever.

There was a very strong bill on hand at the Grand Monday evening last when Carita Day, one of the greatest dancing stars in vaudeville, played a return date more popular than ever. She was gorgeously gowned and wore white slippers. Singing a song seated at the telephone was an innovation, and her dance with the dummy was an animated piece of art in light fantastic steps. The Michaels, direct from New York, was a new colored team on the scene, which eacily made good. Mr. Michaels is a good comedian with a singing voice of good quality. His first entrance in fancy minstrel attire, adds nothing modern to his act and his second suit is the best. The same could be said of his wife, who is an exceedingly clever woman in every particular, especially in her dancing. It was the second part of their work which scored heavily. Patrams comedy circus, once seen at the Pekin, was very good. Nordstrom and Gibbs, in "By the Gas Route," were good actors in a good sketch, the lady being an excellent actress. Carl Demarest, a clever violinist, attracted attention by playing opera in rag time. In this number the orchestra, which is gradually improving, was not effective, especially Frank Tate, violinist, Nelson Kincaid, the clarinet artist, and Miles Harris, a very good trap drummer.

Opal Cooper, a local tenor singer, who appeared in classical numbers, won hearty recognition. The last half of last week had an all white bill which was very good. Edwards' animal circus was one of the finest and brainiest acts of the kind seen in vaudeville. The kicking mule was itself a show of its own for fun making in general. Fritz Houston, an electric cartoonist of great ability, was one of the most complete scenes of shadowgraphic drawing on glass reflected by electricity I have ever seen in vaudeville. Mullen and Herbert and Chas. Lindholm, in "The Man from Minnesota," were good.

Tim Moore and Wife as a Heavy Box Office Attraction at the Monogram.

The Moores were quite the thing again on their return to the Monogram in a new act. Tim Moore, who is the newest find in original legitimate comedians, was again the drawing card of the week, so hilarious is his squeaky cry, his burly brawl and bits of comedy work that he and his wife, who is doing a clever black face act, are fit for the "big time." The Carter Trio, which made its first appearance at this house, is an act suited to the South in general character, which should appeal to the North as well. Mr. Carter is a good comedian who needs a modern repertoire of songs. His wife sang "Suwanee River" very sweetly, but a little slow, which is the fault of the leader, when an artist doesn't know. The finale of the act included a little girl, who is a pretty good dancer and who, if she remains with her parents until she becomes of age, will have the making of a fairly good performer. Madam Lizzie Hart made her re-appearance in a new collection of songs. The most effective one, "Don't Wake Me Up, I'm Dreaming," brought forth well merited applause. Jerry Mills, the well-known actor, appeared in an undressed monologue which opened the show.

The Phoenix Picture Plays Continue to Attract.

The patronage at the Phoenix seems to cling to sensational romance. To add to this the orchestra is lively and Charles Mitchell, a modern trap drummer, is fast winning attention in cannon and gun trappings. The new pictures were "A Red Cross Trapper" and "A Spanish Wooing." The pictures in the illustrated song slides are beautiful.

Motts' Pekin theater is closed, it is said pending a decision in the first suit to claim of heirship. The theater buffet and upstairs are still open.

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DeKoven Thompson and Alfred Anderson recently won their suit for the ownership of their song, "Your Heart," from the defunct Blood-Koehler music company. Messrs. Dean and Dorsey had to hand the song over to its owners.

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Arthur Allen and LeRoy Morton are at the Premier, and Happy John Goodloe and wife are at the Virginia, both of the Doyle circuit, and Simmons and Gibbs are at the Bijou Dream.

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Mr. Bradshaw, of the "Chicken Trust," big vaudeville act, had an altercation with Harry Johnson, one of his actors and was arrested. The act is now laying off.

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Billy Brown, of the "Era Comedy our," was married to Miss Nannie Sands, formerly of Pittsburg, on Monday, January 15, at her Chicago home, 3630 Dearborn street. Here goes the rice!

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Ali Jabo, the Hindoo juggler, who took out a company of his own recently, has returned to the city with his people. Jabo, who is known in private life as Shester Cunningham, came home ill from overwork in managing the company.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, grandmother of Tim Moore, recently died at her home, Port Byron, Ill. Mr. Moore arrived in time for the funeral services.

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The Kolored Kandy Kids were atSaginaw, Mich., last week. This week they are at Bay City. The trio consists of Phil White, Miss Selley and Mr. Plenty.

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I am in receipt of a letter from Romeo L. Dougherty, sporting and dramatic editor of the Amsterdam News of New York City, young in the field, who expresses admiration of my work in the theatrical element. This is one of hundreds of letters I have received, like Paul Lawrence Dunbar, to hand to certain weak actors and musicians, in return for lemons.

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The try-out big act of Buddy Gilmore's, which included the two Russell's, did not get booked up. The Russells will again work double. Gilmore is at present playing traps, under price, in a wine room.

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Miss Mabel Gant has been very ill and threatened with pneumonia at her boarding residence, 727 South Sixteenth street, Philadelphia, Pa. She was still confined to her room as The Freeman went to press. It is her intention to return to Chicago, if able.

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It will do well for me to inform actors that the Broad Ax published the very same identical kind of criticism as I did regarding the closing of the Walker theater and its manager. No one seemed to know the author, so there were no criminal threats. I only mention this for the sake of a few certain actors to save them from getting slaughtered for picking out the certain but wrong man. In the meantime Mr. Russell remains popular with the public and with the best class of actors and musicians in a very important branch of work.

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If Baby F. Seals, an actor whom I have not yet seen, desires a literary outfit he must have it by all means. Mr. Seals says this: "So let my brothers and sisters of the North wait until we fail, frost or otherwise, then jump on us with both feet. One race of people on top of us is enough for the present." Not for the sake of Mr. Seals, but because of the conditions affecting actors, I make this reply. There should be no ill feeling existing between the Northern and Southern actors. Most of our representative actors have come from the South. Most actors who make their first trip North are green and often incapable both in artistic development, advanced literary equipment and clothes of the right kind to attract in a big city. So they have to get broken in when they set to Chicago. They arrive half frightened to death because some ignorant actor has told them that the critic will knock them. But this is all untrue. The kind of criticism I give them is instructive and won't hurt them at all so far as getting work is concerned, but if their talent is so poor that they can't succeed anyhow, it is up to me to tell them and save them from any further failure. Actors like Butler May (String Beans) are criticised by me because they are good but do not handle the right stuff. When they get dressed up they go down South and send back withered boquets instead of studying the Russell criticisms and then return better, with the hope that the next Russell indorsement will send them over the big time and land them in New York. They went home. They can stay in Birmingham or return to Chicago for new indorsements if they like; the way to succeed is to doubly try, and not to balk. Seals' talk is baby talk. The show business requires that an actor must make good. No critic of honor and experience will deliberately knock a performer to do him harm. Actors are public characters and their work will always be praised or criticised, but they won't be able to knock the most capable critic in the head just because they know who he is. The assertion that white people are all against us is an ignorant mistake. Our duty is to first demonstrate and show what we are ourselves.

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The Friend.

'Tis hard to see the friend,
The one whose love is constant,
On whom you can depend;
For envy's there, you bet,
To tear friendships assunder,
And leave a sad regret.
Still, at the journey's end,
The one who is rejected,
Is there to be—The Friend.

SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

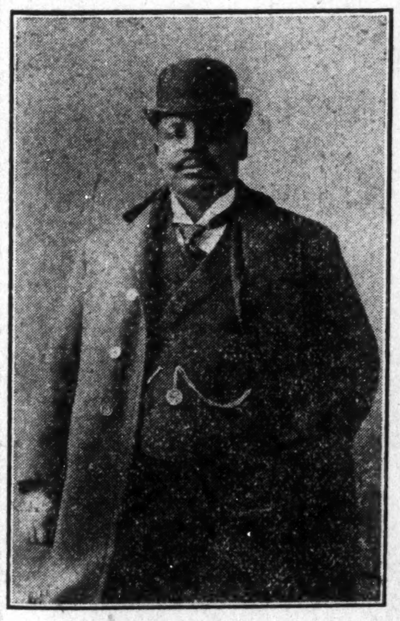
RICHARD WESTON DEAD.

The Grim Reaper Cuts Short a Uuseful Life.

Again the grim reaper has removed from among us, he, whose likeness is herewith presented, another of the old guard of colored performers. We refer to the death of Richard Weston, which occurred at his home, 641 Bannatyne avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Sunday, January 7, 1912, at 11:40 a. m.

To the few, who are left of the old professionals, Dick, as he was familiarly called, needs no introduction; and we may truthfully say, that his name and fame as a pianist and musical director is equally well known to the younger school.

For the past ten years he has called Winnipeg home; and in that time nearly all of the performers who have played Winnipeg, have made his house their headquarters.



RICHARD WESTON.

He was born at Little Rock, Ark., September 2, 1867, and departed this life on January 7, 1912. He had suffered from a complication of diseases for some time, but death was directly attributable to enlargement of the heart. He died firm in the hope of salvation, and one of his last acts was to call his wife and son to his bedside, and pray for, and with them, that they might glorify the Savious, and meet him again in heaven.

The funeral services were held at his late residence, Thursday, January 11, at 3 p. m., and were conducted by the Rev. T. H. Slater, of St. Paul's Mission. The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

He leaves to mourn his loss, a wife and one son, Richard Weston, Jr., together with a host of friends.

COOPER AND ROBINSON AROUSE NP THINGS AT KEITH'S.

Act Is at Once a Hit With the Grand Patrons.

(By Marshall.)

Not in all of the season of 1911 did there appear a colored act in the house of B. F. Kieth's Grand opera house, this city, and by some hook or crook unannounced George W. Cooper and William Robinson are at Keith's this week, appearing to great advantage.

Cooper and Robinson have always been a "popular chord" with the people who know good acting, from their very first beginning. Real talent and originality can outstrip anything else you may offer in the show business and Cooper and Robinson are proving that they are past masters along that line here this week in their clever oddity, "A Friend of Mine."

George W. Cooper is the highest expression of cleverness in his straight part. Unlike so many of them he has a soft, expressive voice that is convincing to all as he argues with his partner about his ungentlemanly conduct at a social function. So realistic and earnest is his heated debate with "Bill" that it gives Robinson a dozen different ways to provoke heart-aching laughter and they certainly shout. But Robinson goes about it in a careful way, knowing just what to do and say at the right time without the slightest strain or overdoing himself. You laugh at him, heartily, but not because he does contortion acts with his lips or has any slap-stick methods to offer, but you laugh at him for his naturalness of humor. It has been some time since Indianapolis theater goers have seen such fantastic footwork as Robinson puts into his dancing and they certainly are applauded roundly for the great comedian. I doubt if there is another colored artist who has it on "William Bill" at all. To put it right Cooper and Robinson have the right sort of an act that other colored performers should pattern after in the point of cleanness, originality, cleverness and up-to-dateness.

CROWN GARDEN.

Tim E. Owsley, Manager.

The show at the Crown this week was good, in spots. The crowd was much larger than it has been any time since the zero weather has been in evidence. The show opened with a light thirty-minute musical comedy—light on the comedy, but the musical numbers were well received, each number taking an encore. And the audience liked it from start to finish. The song hits were: "Ragtime Land," by Demos Jones and company; "Jungle Isle," by Georgia Davis and company; "Without You the World Don't seem the Same," by Tim E. Owsley and company;; "Bamboo Land," Charlie "Chicken" Jones and company. J. W. Greer is the comedian, and fair. A Manikin act caught the eyes of the children and a few grown ups. Charlie "Chicken" Jones in song and dance, proved a favorite.

Baby F. Seals' act was funny beyond a doubt. But Al Boyd killed it. Mr. Boyd like a cow giving good milk, in tun kicks it over. For four weeks Mr. Boyd seemed to be a number one character actor. But Monday night he was sickening. Yet as a whole, the show was good. The orchestra has improved. The Crown is a barn-like structure, yet the patrons get their money's worth.

K. C. E.

THE SOUTHERN THEATORIUM.

Wilmington, N. C.

The Southern Theatorium has been having packed houses. The Rainey Trio, making their fourth week and they are a scream at all times. The Matthews Sisters, in their sixth week and still going good. Madam Rosetta Brannon, playing her second engagement in this house in the past three months, and judging from the audience she wil remain for some time. The only and original Happy How, making his tenth week, and still going good. Miss Lucile McGinty is making a great hit.

ROUTE.

S. H. DUDLEY, in "Dr. Beans From Boston"—Cleveland, O., week of Jan. 28.

BLACK PATTI MUSICAL CO.—Columbus, Ga., Jan. 29; Albany, 30; Tallahassee, Fla., 31; Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 1; South Boston, 2.

J. LUBRIE HILL, in "My Friend From Dixie"—Worcester, Mass., Jan. 29, 30, 31; Springfield, Feb. 1, 2, 3.

"JOLLY" JOHN LARKINS—Paul's Valley, Okla., Jan. 29; Ardmore, 30; McAllister, 31; Shawnee, Feb. 1; El Reno, 2; Oklahoma City, 3.

TEN DARK KNIGHTS—Bijou Theater, Fitchburg, Mass., week of Jan. 28.

LOWRY & MORGAN'S MINSTRELS—Brunswick, Mo., Jan. 30; Chillicothe, 31; Kirksville, Feb. 1; Moberly, 3.

A. G. ALLEN'S MINSTRELS—New Orleans, Jan. 29.

KELLEY'S COLORED CARNIVAL — Carson City, Mich., Jan. 29.

THE JUBILEE MINSTRELS—Roanoke, Ala., Jan. 29.

GEORGIA COON SHOUTERS—H. La She, mgr.—Pelston, Mich., Jan. 29, 30.

WM. McCABE'S GEORGIA TROUBADOURS—Marion, Kan., Feb. 1; Canton, 2; Newton, 3.

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Carter, Paul.	Sheftel, Joseph.
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Harris, Chas. J.	Straughter, Edward
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Hughes, Atrus	Thomas, W. A.
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Lee, Wm.	Venable, Ellek
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Mickels, Eugene	Wright, A. A.
Mayfield, W. H.	Winn, oJe.
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SATURDAY, JAN. 27, 1912

Will Judge Hook get the hooks? Kelly miller would have it that way.

And it looks as if the President will reach a ripe old age; ne will be in the running when the times comes.

Now if the Low Cost ofLiving League succeeds merely in checking the upward flight of prices it will have done something.

No one talks but father, said Theo dore Roosevelt Jr., when asked a leading question concerning the senior Roosevelt's political intentions.

James E. Watson says that he has no designs on Congress. Well, Jim is a good one. He ought not be ashamed to own up if he really wants the job.

The dear old Sun returns to us resplendent and warming as if it were ashamed of the cold neglect. Well, we will forgive the past if it will consent to tarry with us a while.

And perhaps the "Demonstrator" thinks we have yet said nothing. Well, if it will train the glasses a little close, it will discover things. By the way, that publication might talk out since it had nerve to call our hand.

The proposed appointement of Judge Hook to the Supreme Court bench has stirred up a hornet's nest. He is at once charged with pro-corporation, Populistic and Anti-Negro tendencies. Conflicting testimony, to say the least.

J. W. Campbell of Kentucky, well known in mining circles, was in the city this week attending the convention of the United Mine Workers of America. Mr. Campbell is a force among the miners, a fact recognized by his co-workers. He has held places of profit and trust, which he filled with distinction and credit.

It is now said that $25,000 will be needed to make a satisfactory memorial hall of the Douglass homestead. It's all right; just make ou the papers and pass them around. A responsible committee of three or more in every community of considerable Negro population will have no trouble in getting the necessary amount. Every Negro that knows the Douglass name will drop something in the "pot." Pass it around.

In dealing with the political situation seen elsewhere in this issue it was not thought necessary to speak of the governmental principles that are being espoused by the different candidates. They are not vitally apart on the issues. All of the candidates hope to gain the good will of the poeple, consequently no vicious theories are being advocated. We have confined our argument strictly to the racial phase, deeming it of more importance to the race, for the determining of future political activity.

The mob genius must have become sorely vexed at the slow progress being made. It got busy down in Hamilton, Ga., and sent up four to make merry over. The information says:

"A mob of 100 men tonight broke into the Harris County Jail here, overpowered the jailor and took four Negroes, three menand one woman, out and hanged them to trees one mile from town. The bodies were riddled with bullets. It is estimated that 300 shots were fired."

This was the evening of January 22.

The work is no longer applauded, ano we think that at no distant day the "actors" will exit. They are bad actors.

After all New York may not get its Negro regiment. Colonel William Wilson, of Geneva, N. Y., president of the National Guard association of the state of New York, came out squarely against the organization of a Negro regiment in that state in his address at the opening session of the thirty-fourth annaul meeting of the association.

"Were a regiment of Negroes," he said, "to be organized in the National Guard it would give to them an authorized strength largely in excess of their numerical proportion to the population of the state; and finally, I believe this assocation should oppose class legislation or class distinction as something to be avoided because likely to lead to accumulative trouble. For this reason, if no other, the organization of a class regiment of whatever color or creed, should be frowned upon."

A most beautiful theory if the thing applied generally, that there be no distinction in institutions or in places of any kind—its the great desire. But what's the use of the fine talk on the matter. We all know what's what. Race distinction is almost a state and national sanctioned custom.

The following ballot by the Indianapolis Star may prove interesting to our readers. It represents an expression of Democratic voters of the State of Indiana as to their presidential preference:

William J. Bryan	3,403
John W. Kern	3,128
Woodrow Wilson	1,629
Thomas R. Marshall	723
Judson Harmon	166
Champ Clark	96
Joseph W. Folk	93
Theodore Roosevelt	59
Thomas Taggart	23
O. W. Underwood	13
W. S. Gaynor	7
Henry Watterson	6
Lew Shank	5
F. L. Feick	4
Scattering—One vote each for Jacob S. Coxey, Mark Littleton, James O'Gorman, John A. M. Adair, Augustus O. Stanley	5
Total	9,360

AT KENTUCKY CAPITAL.

The Progress of Coleman & Bros.—The Capital Social Club Organizes a Band—The Installation of Knights of Pythias—Many Entertainments—Personal and Social Happenings.

(By Hardin Tolbert News Bureau. Telephones: .New 458, Old 654. 425 Washington Street.)

FRANKFORT, Ky., (Special) Jan. 27.—Among the worthy and progressive young men whose tact and energy is of a great value to the community, and who is not afraid to venture out upon their own resources and make conditions, instead of waiting for years, and saying I could have done that, but these two young men who are located on Wilkerson street, with a full line of goods and with all the conveniences, the peoiple of this city are looking forward to their interests and whenever they want coal they always give them the first chance at the deal. The patronage of our people and a vast number of white people adds largely to the business of the Coleman Bros. They have both phones. Their promptness of delivery is one of the greatest means by which they have won so much of their success among the people. They are active members of the church and are always ready to lend a helping hand to their fellow-citizens.

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The Capital Social club met on Friday night and organized a band, which will be supported by the best of the citizens. Mr. T. L. Brooks has consented to be their business manager along financial lines. Mr. Brooks is a prominent contractor of this city who erected the $10,000 Odd Fellows hall, and Hume hall, and the trade building at the Normal Institute, which reflects much credit upon his ability and his race. The band will be managed by the citizens, who will take stock in the organization. It will not be restricted to members of the club alone, and if anyone in the city desires to become a member of the band and does not belong to the club it will be all right; no objection will be made by the members of the club, because all of the citizens will take out stock in it for the general good of the city, and not for the club alone. So here is your chance. Come on, boys, and take the opportunity as it is right before you, and there is no better chance than right now.

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The regular annual election held by the B. K. Bruce Company D, resulted in the election of the following officers: Mr. J. J. Allen, captain; G. W. Childs, first lieutenant; S. M. Frank, second lieutenant; Aaron Gudgle, M. E.; C. H. Scith, recorder; Percy Hayden, quartermaster sergeant; H. C. Fields, right guide; Fred Allen, left guide; J. L. Brooks, first corporal; A. T. Batty, second corporal; T. Peay, third corporal. The installation will occur on the night of February 12, after which the company will be entertained by Col. Geo. Moore, at his residence on Washington street.

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The Pythian Juniors held their annual election with following results: James Butcher, captain; Franklin Simpson, first lieutenant; Henry Garnet, second lieutenant; John Hayes, recorder; P. Peay, treasurer and father of the little boys, and much credit is due him for his work with them; George Mason, first sergeant; Andrew Peay, second sergeant; Elwood Arnet, quartermaster; Robert Clark, first corporal; Henry K. Jackson, second corporal; Geo. Russell, third sergeant; Ernest Wooldridge, fourth corporal.

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Many of the people are looking forward to the success of the first entertainment of the session. Ruth Temple will give the first grand entertainment of the session at the Odd Fellows' hall the 29 of this month, so don't forget to get a ticket from one of the women who are out in the field right now.

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The Pythian Juniors will present the next grand entertainment of the session February 1st, so don't forget the date and govern yourself accordingly.

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After the resignation of Mr. Garrett Smith, to accept a job with Dr. Bruner, who is president of a trust company in Louisville, Mr. Robert Hall was elected president of the Capital Social club, in Mr. Smith's place, but the club was very sorry to lose such a worthy member as Mr. Smith.

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Mr. F. Davis of Berrytown, was a guest in this city for a few days.

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A large number of first-class caterers of Louisville, were in the city on business. They were Messrs. T. Thomas, M. Gaoza, W. Wilson, J. W. Mayson, W. H. Wilson, C. Sleets, W. M. Poce and A Miller. These special caterers visited the historical places of the city, the new state capitol and the Normal Institute and city school, and were very much pleased with this city. Many of them expressed desires of living in this city, and perhaps will come back and make their homes here after seeing such a lively city. We extend a welcome to them at all times.

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Dr. Alanda Rodman, a student of the Indiana pharmacy college, in his senior year, is in the city for a while visiting relatives.

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Misses Anna R. Bryant and Carrie Johnson will play the leading ladies in the Freeman & Collins minstrel, which will be presented at the Capital theater soon.

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Rev. M. Jackson, of Louisville, evangelist of the Christian church, was the guest of Rev. Jamerson of the same denomination. Rev. Jackson is making a revival tour through the state and is now at Midway, engaged in that service.

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Miss Violet Martin is spending a few days in Louisville, visiting friends.

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Miss Sadie Hawkins left for Louisville, to spend a few days with friends.

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Mrs. M. Thompson and Sue Smith left for Lexington to attend the funeral of Mr. Spencer Fields.

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Mrs. Annie Richardson arrived in the city from Indianapolis to be the guest of her mother, Mrs. Katie Richardson for a few weeks.

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Mr. H. C. Tandy, of Lexington, grand master of the United Brothers of Friendship and the Sisters of the Mysterious Ten, passed through the city.

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Miss Cassie Wensinger left for Cincinnati to spend a week.

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Mrs. Addie Smith, matron at the Normal Institute, delivered an eloquent address Sunday afternoon before the Kings' Daughters—theme, "John the Baptist,"—in the recitation hall of the girl's dormitory. Miss Mayden Coleman, the youngest teacher in the faculty of that institution, followed Mrs. Smith with a few brief remarks of interest to the Kings' Daughters.

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The following were called to Harrisburg on account of the illness of Mrs. Mary Foster: Mr. Muphey Polk and wife Mrs. Mattie Miller and Mr. Thomas Payne.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garrett are happy over the arrival of a little girl in their family, who is named after her mother, Geneva Garrett.

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Miss Alice Bush is improving from a hard spell of the rheumatism.

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Mr. Harvey Tolbert arrived in the city from Indianapolis, to be the guest of Miss Lillian Ellis.

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Mr. Hardin Tolbert, general newspaper correspondent, lectured to the Kings' Daughters at the Normal Institute Sunday afternoon.

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Mr. T. L. Smith, captain of the Capital social club baseball team, will organize a football team for this session. Arrangements are now being made.

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Mrs. Mary Randolph, of Lexington, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Ellis and daughter.

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Miss R. Bryant, of Louisville, passed through the city en route to Lexington.

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Miss Carrie Slaughter, of Lexington, passed through the city en route to Louisville.

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Rev. J. Fisher, of iWnchester, was called to Louisville to hold revival at the Lampkins Baptist church of which Rev. Bates is pastor.

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Miss and Kissers, vaudeville performers of Jackson, Tenn., passed through the city from Lexington en route to Louisville.

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Miss R. Maupin, who has been at the Normal Institute, left for her home in Richmond.

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Prof. J. T. Smith, principal of the high school of Versailles, and author of the "Boy Problem," was in the city on business.

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Mr. William Brown has accepted a position in Louisville as bar tender for Mr. Tom White.

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Mr. Richard H. Clark, a popular young man of Shelbyville, is making good as manager of shows and vaudeville in that city. Mr. Clark is a hustling young man and deserves credit.

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Mr. Hardin Tolbert, general newspaper correspondent, will make a tour over the state and give write-ups of prominent citizens, progress of cities and appoint agents for this paper. When in Louisville, Mr. Tolbert will be the guest of Mr. Lee L. Brown, for several days.

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Miss Minnie B. Whittaker, of Shelbyville, an attractive and fascinating young lady who is well known as a soprano vocalist, was called to Evansville, on account of the illness of Mrs. Dupee.

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Saffell and Saffell's undertaking establishment has a very attrFactive calendar, which has been highly complimented by some of the most prominent people in the city, and everyone else who has seen them. Mrs. Saffell is the only colored woman undertaker in the state, and they are located at Shelbyville, Ky.

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The Freeman is on sale at the Frankfort Pressing Clug. Don't forget to take a copy.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Grandma Washington continues very ill at the home of her grandson, Ambrose Pendleton....Miss Simpkins, of Windsor, Ont., arrived in the city last week, to make her home with her uncle, Mr. J. J. Adams....Miss Grace Green is visiting her parents in Sand Lake....The Stewardess Board will give an entertainment in the lecture room at Arnet chapel, February 29....The fourth Sunday in each month will be observed as parents' day by Arnett chapel Sunday school, at 12:15 p. m. All are welcome. On the first Sunday night in February the Church Aid will give their second sacred program....An Allen Christian Endeavor Society was organized Sunday night. The officers are president, Mrs. Emma Ford; vice president, Mrs. Maggie Saunders; recording secretary, Edward Gass; corresponding secretary, Thomas Pasket; treasurer, Hope Johnson; organist, Edna Bailard; librarian, Edna Lee; reporter, Bessie Barnett. The meetings will be held every Sunday at 6 p. m....Mary Boyd continues ill at her home....Those reported on the sick list are Mary Bell, Mr. Goodin, Anna Hall, Lena Gilbert, Grandma Palmer....Miss Reed, of Cincinnati, O., will spend the winter in our city with Mrs. Robins, of Commerce street.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

T. J. Bagby and Others Venture on a Business Enterprise—Are You One of Them to Try?—Negro Business Needs the Financial Aid of the Masses—The Teachers Should Have Their Pay.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The bright sunshine brings hope to all mankind in Texas, after several weeks which taxed the skill of the best specialists, surgeons and physicians and medical students in the city of Dallas. The colored people have worked heroically with odds against those in the low, damp districts and rented shacks, where many of them live because of their cheapness and unsanitary conditions which have existed for many years here. All are beginning to look cheerful and hope the so-called epidemic is over, but are using due caution in a sanitary way, as can be expected, here and there to wipe out every trace of diseases of any nature. It looks like a blessing in disguise to have the whole city cleaned up and put into sanitary condition, as the laws require, and see to it that all sections are hereafter kept that way. The reporter of The Freeman sounds a warning to those who make it a business to hunt cheap houses in low, unsanitary places to cease that practice unless better houses are to be had in such places as Boggie Bayou, Frogtown, East Dallas, South Dallas and several other well-known places where our people are housed in unsanitary shacks. Many of you can do better. So do it now. Don't wait until the inspectors inform you to get a better house to live in, which should be done and the sooner the better for every one concerned. Every loyal citizen deplored the conditions but are hoping for the better for all people....Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thornton, of Dallas, wish to thank the good people of Birmingham, Ala., and other places for kindnesses shown them in behalf of their daughter, who died in that city on the 7th of this month. Mrs. Thornton was at the bedside of her daughter, who was Mrs. L. V. Goan, when the end came. Her husband joined her and was at the funeral. They express their gratitude to one and all for floral offerings and other courtesies in these, their mournful hours....Mr. oJe Watson, of Ada, Okla., spent several days here visiting relatives and friends. He takes The Freeman as a companion for the wife in his absence....Mr. R. A. Perkins and R. C. Jones is the new tailoring firm doing business at 1723 Buford street, and want a chance at your work....Happy Fred Matthews, the chef, is on duty at the Calvert cafe, pleasing the patrons ....Mr. Joe Roscoe is at the new bar on Live Oak, the York; where he wishes his friends to call....Mrs. Jennie Brownlee, who has been very ill for some time at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weatherington, 2626 Bryon street, is very much improved....Mr. Ben Wilson and Mr. Madie Madden are pleasing their patrons at the new bar recently opened at 2628 Elm street. If the Negro business keeps what you want, why do we see so many of the race going to white places in the same locality for their needs. Don't all the business folks speak at once.... Mr. O. E. Richardson, the tailor, is teaching the tailoring business in the Maderson building. All young men desiring to learn the tradFe should go....Mr. D. V. Hooper, the druggist, sold his lot to the city, so that in future the colored high school can be enlarged in order to meet the growing population of Greater Dallas as a Negro school center of the West. ....If you have progressive ideas, push them, so others will know it....Use The Freeman in your home and business; it will help your customers and you too.... The school board has had their say about the teachers' pay, yet there are some dissatisfied. The Freeman thinks that they should have their pay and lose no time on account of these forced conditions. It is a great loss to all the pupils, and yet the end is not in sight, but conditions are much better....Why don't our Negroes in business show some of their progress by enlarging that business and increasing its capacity, giving employment to others of the race as other races are doing from time to time. There must be some reason for this grave failure. We say that the big Negro and the so-called little Negro must join hands in a proper business way and do business and some relief will come to all....Mr. Jack Baggby has associated with him some thirty men who are soon to start a mercantile business for the general public to join in and make it a success. You and others are invited to take stock in the company. All it takes is a little more stirring.

NATIONAL NEGROES' INDUSTRIAL AND PROTECTIVE UNION OF AMERICA.

Its Object Is to Unite the Race in Self-Defense—Our Preamble.

First.—Organization being the foundation of Christian civilization, and the unit upon which all power springs, to this end we organize to better Christianize and secure such strength as will better our race.

Second.—As evolution is the great medium that brings the changes and causes man to struggle and fight for alteration in the system of the state and church government, therefore we organize to educate our race in this field.

Third.—As this is seemingly the age of class struggle for industrial and political rights, and knowing as we do the discrimination, we have labored under in the past, and are now laboring under and realizing the disadvantages of individual effort, we therefore resolve to unite ourselves to better enable us to co-operate our race with those of the Caucasian race who believe first, that God made all men, second, in all citizens of our government having the opportunity of enjoying all the rights and privileges, and the pursuits of happiness as laid down in the Constitution of our government equal.

Fourtr.—That no race can hope to grow strong financially nor industrially while divided, is a fact that cannot be denied. Therefore we resolve to teach our race the principles to the end, that we may share our part of the financial and industrial world.

Fifth.—The matter of time to labor is one of the greatest problems that civilization has to solve and define, but as man must of necessity divide the twenty-four hours allotted to day and night for work and rest, we therefore resolve to study that problem to enable us to keep pace with the demand of the age.

Sixth.—As capital and labor are the two great factors in the production of wealth, and as pleasure and happiness are the result of labor and capital, we therefore demand that our race study the problem of capital and labor, to the end that we may know and understand each of these factors' rightful positions.

Seventh.—Resolve to labor and use all honorable means to have all laws abrogated which prevent our race from enjoying full freedomship as any other race in this country and as laid down in the Constitution of our government.

Eighth.—Resolve to do everything in our power by fair means to destroy the color of racial lines in many of the trade unions that work such hardships on many men and women of our race, and thereby bring the industrial class in perfect love and harmony as otherwise it cannot be.

Ninth.—To educate our race to the value of a job, and the duty an employee owes his employer, that all classes of business men may not hesitate in giving to us what we merit.

Tenth.—To demand a better common school system for the education of our children, and to do all in our power to keep them in school until they attain the age of fourteen years.

Eleventh.—As ninety-six per cent of our race do manual labor, therefore be it resolved that we do all in our power to prove to all classes that our labor is worth as much as any other race or nationality in this country, and that we are determined to use all honorable means to accomplish this end, that we will be better able to support ourselves and families.

Twelfth.—That we are determined not to cease our efforts until we shall have secured peace and friendship with capital and labor, and the social virtues of all the good citizens of our country. That neither state nor church can find cause to deny our rights or will stand ildy by and permit one to do so. God being our guide we will follow.

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DEATH OF JAMES CLIPPARD.

Employe of Illinois Central Expires at Daughter's Home.

Champaign (Ill.) Special.

James Clippard, who was employed in the wood yards of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, died at 4:15 o'clock Wednesday morning, January 17, following an attack of bowel trouble. He was taken seriously ill while at work on Monday morning and from that time on grew worse until his death. He was a resident of Champaign only six months. Death occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Benson Maze, at 705 North Prairie street.

James Clippard was born in Missouri sixty-one years ago. He lived in that State until he came to Champaign to reside with his daughter, his former home being at Cape Girardeau, Mo. Mrs. Maze is his only local living relative.

The remains were snent to Cape Giardeau, and the funeral was held at that place under the auspices of the colored Odd Fellows' lodge.

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Mrs. Emma Perkins has been ill but is better....Miss Inez Moss has been ill but is improved....There was a musical entertainment given at Mrs. Lester Johnson's home, 508 North Hickory street, Thursday evening for the benefit of the Salem Baptist Church. Mrs. Johnson recited a selection from Paul Lawrence Dunbar. Music was furnished by Miss Helen Johnson. Mrs. Lester Johnson assisted...Mr. and Mrs. John Perry left for St. Louis Saturday morning to spend a few days with Mr. Perry's people....Mr. Wm. J. Prince, a colored student, who is on the debating teFam at the University of Illinois, was made a Delta Sigma Rue, the first colored gentleman to be taken into a white fraternity....The Monarch Club is expecting to give a formal dance ebruary 8....Miss Elizabeth Richardson, of Danville, has come to live with Mrs. Robert Green.... Rev. A. T. aJckson, who is pastor of the Bethel Church at Danville, was home last week....Miss Alice Moore, of Urbana, completed her course in the Champaign High School January 17 and will receive her diploma at the commencement in June.

BOWLING GREEN, KY.

Dr. O. M. Reynolds, of Alabama, Makes Good at the State Board of Medicine in Kentucky.

(By J. F. Moxley.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dr. O. M. Reynolds, an Alabaman by birth and who has been practicing in Chattanooga, Tenn., spent January 18 and 19 in the city visiting his classmates and friends. He recently passed an excellent examination before the Kentucky Board of Medicine and reports that though it had been said to him that the board was unfair to colored applicants, he received the white applicants. He advises a thorough preparation for the Kentucky Board of Medicine examination....Dr. R. F. Boyd, of Nashville, Tenn., was in the city a few hours last week. He came to visit Dr. O. D. Porter, who has been on the sick list....Miss Mary de Hilton Robinson, who has been teaching at the Bowling Green Academy, has resigned her position to accept a place in the Shelbyville schools....Mrs. Maggie Taylor, wife of Mr. Alferd Taylor, departed this life on January 13 after a protracted illness.... Mr. James T. Wilson is on the sick list at his residence on aPrk street....Miss Anna May Mack, of Franklin, Ky., spent Thursday and Friday with Miss Mattie Clay, of 285 High street....Miss Virgie Covington and Miss Florence Smith are spending a few days in Woodburn with Mrs. Sarah Covington....The Allen Christian Endeavor League at Taylors' Chapel A. M. E. Church opened at 6:30 p. m. Sunday. The topic on the life of the foreign missionary was a most inspiring one. The services were opened by J. F. Moxley, followed by the members of the league. The young people of the city are cordially invited to attend these meetings.

MUNCIE (IND.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Calvary Baptist church is in the midst of a great revival. Rev. G. W. Ward, of Indianapolis, assisted for one week. His sermons proved a great benefit to all. Many have been reclaimed and converted. On January 21 the pastor planned an all-woman's service. More than 150 women assembled at the church at 3 p. m., and heard a most inspiring message from Miss P. Wilson. All services Sunday, January 21, were well attended. Collection, $29.30..The Literary Society meets Tuesday night, the 23rd.... Mr. Clarence Hill has gone to Indianapolis, to visit his aunt, Mrs. Gertrude Hill. He will return in about three weeks.... Miss Frances White, of Chicago, is here, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. White, and other relatives....Mr. Grant has been down sick, but is getting some better....The Calvary Baptist church is now in splendid condition....Mrs. Mayanic E. Watkins, of Kansas, who is visiting Rev. Mitchell, is a proud mother of a very fine boy....The Washington Bros., of Cleveland, O., the grand jubilee singers, played in Hartford City, Thursday night, January 18. They returned to Muncie and left this city Monday night, January 22....Miss Evans, the great evangelist of Wilberforce University, will be in the city to attend the revival......Mr. Knizer, of Newcastle, Fis the guest of the Pekin hotel....Mr. Bailey, of Indianapolis, is in the city and is stopping at the Pekin....The mountain climbers have organized a baseball club for the coming season....Miss Hazel Adams' home was the meeting place of the Y. P. C. club, Saturday, January 20. The club will meet with Mrs. Lizzie Mays, 615 Kirby avenue ....Mrs. Caroline Watkins is sick at 726 East Seymour street....Miss Edith Price is visiting her mother, Mrs. Price, in South Madison street.

LOGANSPORT, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Allen's church debating club is running along under the leadership of Mr. Abbey, very nicely. A goodly showing for its first regular meeting turned out last Monday night. An excellent program was rendered....Mrs. Helen B. Carter, after a few days' visit with friends, returned home from Chicago. 28 below in Chicago, she says. Sure thing, it's 24 here.... Mrs. Irvin Cordell is very sick. We hope all will go well and that she recovers.... Mr. James Carter is ill and confined to his home....Rev. White is down with la grippe. Rev. Henry Harris served Sunday night instead, delivering a wonderful message, full of thought and oratory. It was grand and showed study of the good book....Mr. A. A. Whitted, of Rockville, returning from Jeffersonville, where he visited Mrs. Ogelsby, his daughter, remained over with Mr. and Mrs. Harris on his way to visit his son at Culver.

SOUTH BEND, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

St. P. Ruffin Club gave a leap year party Friday evening, January 26, at the home of Mrs. Eli Stewart, on Chapin street. It was a grand success....Mr. Chambers and Mr. Moore have opened a dancing academy at the K. of P. Hall on North Main street. Everybody invited to attend....Miss Bessie Crittenden, of 922 East LaSalle street, is on the sick list. We hope for her speedy recovery....The Masonic Grand Lodge of the State of Michigan is in session at Niles, Mich., this week....Mr. Verley Smith has opened a billiard and pool room, together with a cigar stand, on West Colfax avenue....Among those critically ill are: Mrs. Lavica Powell, South Main street; Mr. L. Elliott, Polk street....Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell, of 110½ Colfax avenue, entertained the Married Folks' Club at the K. of P. Hall Wednesday evening, January 17. All present had a delightful time. Cards and dancing were features of the evening. The club will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bland, of Court street, next meeting....The Afro-American Order of Orioles (formerly the Owls) will meet every Friday evening at the Masonic Hall.

LANGSTON, OKLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

President T. E. Page has returned from Oklahoma City, where he has been attending to business for the school.... Prof. Woodard, who succeeded Prof. Dangus as teacher in agriculture, has arrived ....Mrs. Braux has returned from Boston, where she spent the holidays....Mr. E. A. McNeal will leave for Previen, Tex., to attend the national convention of the Y. M. C. A. from the university....Mr. A. B. Stewart has returned from Mira, La....Always see Bowles for The Freeman.

NEWS OF EVERGREEN, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. G. W. Lewis, pastor of the M. E. church here, delivered an address at the Bethel Baptist church, and the same was listened to by many. The subject was "The Negro of Yesterday and Today and Tomorrow," which was very interesting.. ..Prof. Leon T. Blevin, of Greenville, Ala., visited Evergreen last Sunday. Mr. Blevin is a well-knokn young man throughout the state of Alabama, and one of the leading cornet players of the South; also a teacher of music....Read The Freeman for all Negro news. Leave your subscription at F. Purifoy's shoe shop.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Timberlick, of West State street, is slowly improving from her illness.... Mrs. Reacy O'Leary, of 508 South West street, is a fine musician, being an expert on the piano....Mrs. Henry Davis, of 780 South Koscinsko street, has a very sore finger which gives her much pain.... S. Arbuckle is some better at this writing....Mr. William Morrison, of Madison street, is some better....Esther May Dugan, of South West street, is improving. ....Mrs. Mattie Carpenter, of South Manaistere street, has fully recovered from a serious attack of appendicitis. Dr. Hall was the attending physician....Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Sharp royally entertained at a dinner in honor of Rev. G. C. Mason, of Alton, Ill.; E. H. Borden, of Paris; Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Eliza Smith, of Monmouth. A four-course dinner was served, and fine music was furnished by the orchestra. The home was beautifully decorated. A number of guests were in attendance....Mrs. Winnie Holmes, of S. Hardin avenue, is some better at present. ....The death of Mrs. Ellen Freeman was a regretable occurrence. She died at the home of her daughter in Chicago. She was brought home for burial. The funeral services were held at Mount Emory Baptist Church.

ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

E. W. Pearson, our district deputy, has recovered from an attack of acute indigestion. All of his friends are glad to see him out again....The Willson Undertaking Company has made a very brave start....Mrs. R. H. Loder has made himself famous in Asheville....Freeman on sale by Staggs.

BELOIT, WIS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Tomisine Payne, of Rockford, Ill., is the guest of Miss Edna Strothers for a few days....Mrs. Dora Dixon is very ill at her home in East Grand avenue....Mr. rank Alexander was a Chicago visitor Saturday and Sunday....The Dunbar Literary Society will entertain friends at a social to be given Friday evening in the A. M. E. church.

TULSA, OKLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Hanciel Crags is over in Okmulgee, Okla., this week....Rev. Sherman was called to Boling, Okla., on account of sickness..Mr. Nathan Dosey was married to Miss Carrie Nollis Resaney.... Miss Riley of Sapulpa, was married to Leonard Johnson this week....Mrs. Zoda Holmes is on the sick list this week.... Little Margaret Black went through an operation Saturday and is doing nicely.. ..The A. M. E. church gave a masquerade ball Tuesday night and it was quite a success....The G. M. of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. will make his annual visit in Tulsa soon...Mr. L. P. Greene, of Sapulpa, passed through here Friday en route to Muskogee....Miss Roberta Brestow passed through Tulsa Saturday, en route to Tallahasha, Okla....See Griffin for The Freeman every Saturday.

The Freeman for sale in Savannah, Ga., by Wm. Boyd, 416 West Broad street.

CINCINNATI THEATERS.

The Gaither Gives Up.

"Now is the winter of our discontent," are the words of Shakespeare, and well may the words be applied to the theatrical situation on Fifth avenue at the present time. The mayor ordered the Gaither theater closed last week after the building inspector examined the premises and found that the house was not constructed, or being operated in accordance with the present building laws of this city. The order came like a bolt out of a clear sky. The house was packed with an interesting crowd, and it was several hours before the new order could be fully understood. His Honor, the Mayor, gave out a statement later that the house did not contain the necessary exits to secure the public safety, and could not be opened until the proper impovements were made. The future of the little Fifth avenue house has not been determined, as Mr. E. G. Gaither, the proprietor, would not say just what his future plans are. A report from the building inspector's office, shows that if the law was complied with to the letter there would only be a few of the picture houses allowed to operate as they are now constructed. Notwithstanding the fact the Pekin has a clear field at present, the management booked one of the strongest bills of the season. Miss Carrie May Hall, that winsome little soubrette, opens the card and captivated her audiences with several clever songs. Billy Caldwell, one of the funniest comedians of this day, follows with a couple of new songs that caught the crowds, and his eccentric dancing was the best ever seen around here. The queen of all sister teams closes a very interesting program, Johnson and Roper. The oftener this team plays this city the better they are liked. The name of Johnson and Roper always insures a packed house all week. The act is the one the have put on here once before, with the exception of new songs. Miss Roper sang "My Bill From Louisville," while Miss Johnson featured "My Little Georgia Rose." Both ladies received a tremendous ovation.

Notes.

Miss Jannie Troy is the popular illustrated song singer at the Pekin theater.

The Wireless Telephone Trio, Harper, Perkins and Stewart, left this city for Lexington, Ky., the week of January 21, after filling an extended engagement in this city.

Miss Virginia Dean, of this city, has just returned home from Lexington, Ky., where she has been engaged as illustrated singer of moving pictures at the Lincoln theater.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

The Temple theater was opened on the 14th of January with a first-class stock company headed by Mrs. Edna Landry Benbow. The company is owned by Mrs. Ed Lee and Wm. Benbow, who have joined hands and opened a circuit of houses throughout Louisiana.F Two houses are now in operation, the Temple theater, in New Orleans, and the Bernard, in Baton Rouge, La., with four more to follow in ten days. All performers watch for our ad in The reeman. We will be able to use sixty people. After working our circuit we can book you through Texas to California, with eight houses to work.

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Simms and Thompson, week of January 29, Crescent theater, New York, full week.

Cooper and Robinson are furnishing considerable fun at Keith's Grand Opera House this week.

Team of Floyd and Floyd in their fourth week in Baltimore. Still leaving them screaming with their funny songs and sketches.

Chicken Reel Beamon was a big success at the Howard week of January 8; Blue Mouse, 15; Crescent, New York, week of January 22.

H. Smallwood, comedian, who has been ill for a few weeks, is able to be out again, now at Dennison, Texas. Will go north in the very near future.

Those two dancing boys, Burton and Chatman, will soon appear in vaudeville with four new and original acts. It will be clean comedy by clean comedians.

The celebrated Leon magician and ventriloquist played the Dixie Theater, Tampa, Fla., week of January 15th. Went big. Would like to hear from all friends. General Delivery, Tampa, Fla.

McNeil and McNeil, refined and comedy sketch artists, after eight success weeks at Grand Theater, Chattanooga, are now at Gem Theater, Dayton, O., where they will be for two weeks only.

Thornton and Long, those two unbleached eccentrics are in their second week at the Dixie Theater, Richmond, Va. On the bill are Ethelin and Luke, that due and Alice Ramsey, the dancing soubrette.

Pewee & Tolliver Co. is still working around Chicago; was at the Ellis Theater last week. Whitehouse Theater the 22-25. They have made several little changes in the act, and are going nicely wherever they appear.

Martin and Martin are at the Star theater, Pittsburg, Pa., in their third week. Mr. Martin is producing the acts in stock. The original J. H. Dumas, of the Johnny Jones Minstrels, is there also, and is a very funny comedian.

T. L. P. H. Davis, the noted baritone singer of this city, is establishing quite a record among theatergoers singing in the various picture houses. Mr. Davis has long ago proven himself a classic singer of the highest standard.

Miss Mamie Payne is now working alone in vaudeville. Was a real hit at the Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis. Would like to hear from friends in and out of the profession. Address 1223 Calahune street, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Thomas, McDonald, Thomas, the ragtime trio, have formed a vaudeville and photaplay road company, which will be known as The Imperial Stock Co. They will play all week stands. Week of January 22, Nashau, Iowa, Granger's opera house.

The two southerners, Johnson and Johnson, were held over for the fourth week at Queen Theater, Wilmington, N. C. Mrs. Johnson is taking three and four encores nightly. Mr. Johnson kQeeps the house in an uproar of laughter from the moment he enters.

Alonzo Moore, magician, says that he has no intention of sailing for Honolulu or China. He is in hiladelphia, Pa., at this time at 727 South 16th street. He is booked with the Ridpath Lyceum Bureau and will begin work the last of May or the first of June.

Baby Jim closed his vaudeville engagement at the Pekin Theater, Chicago, January 15. He scored nicely all the week, and has gone east to play the eastern city, opening in Philadelphia, Pa., January 22. Baby Jim does the Bear .Cat dance and it is a knockout.

Harry C. Jenkins, stage manager of the new Grand theater, Chicago, Ill., gave a Chinese luncheon to Sylvester Russell, William Fifer, William D. Evans of the Lyre, Louisville, and two white performers, Mr. Edwards, the horse trainer, and Mr. Houston, the electric cartoonist, one night last week.

Prof. Johnnie Woods, the ventriloquist, joined his wife, Essie Whitman Woods, at Gibson's Auditorium theater, Philadelphia, Pa., week of 15th. Prof. Woods is simply screaming the house with Little Henry, his doll. His wife and her two picks are also taking the house by storm. They go to their home, 410 West Thirty-ninth street, next week for a little rest.

John Berry, the colored Alvora, has been touring two weeks and for two weeks has been having much success at the Grand Theater, Washington, D. C. He will open an indefinite engagement at the Blue Mouse on January 29. Mr. Berry has had a continuous success since his return to Washington and expects to leave for the South after he closes his engagements in the Capitol City.

The Capitol City Quartet drew large houses last week at the Dreamland Theater, San Antonio, Texas. Mrs. Ella B. Moore had to leave us suddenly last Friday to attend the funeral of her mother. We all are in sympathy with her, and hope she will soon return. Miss Birdie Wade, Jolly Davis and Mrs. Anna Overton still please as usual, and sometimes Father Chintz warms things up.

Glenn and Glenn have now finished their time around New York and the East and are working their way south, where they are going in business for themselves. They are at present at the Auditorium Theater, Philadelphia, Pa., for two weeks. From there they go to Washington, D. C.; thence to Charleston, S. C., where they will settle for a while. They are both well and wish their many friends the same blessing. Regards to all, especially the Russell-Owen Stock Company and Brooks Smith Players.

"The Original Sunflower Trio," Burns, Earle and Burns, opened the Alcazar theater at Gillmore, Utah, Monday, aJnuary 15, scoring big in their original act. After the performance we were entertained at the home of Mr. Raymond Gaylor, the young composer and author of "She rests by the Weeping Willow Tree." We can speak nothing but the highest praise for the way Mr. Taylor and parents treated us and hope Mr. Taylor success in all his musical undertakings. The "Sunflower Trio" is now in its eighth week in Utah. We are now under the direction of LaWayne and Fitzgerald. The bunch sends regards to Pete "Single" Kennedy.

THE PASSING SHOW IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

The New Howard.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—The New Howard Theater opened the week Monday night with the proverbial packed house. It has become a part of the religion of the progressive Washingtonian to pay at least one visit per week to Manager Thomas's pretty play house and many of them regard it as an unwritten obligation to be a "first-nighter" so as not to be "behind the excitement" if anything unusual is pulled off.

The bill offered this week, which is far above the average, embraced: "The Samoan Girls, four in number, who do an exceptially neat song and dance specialty; the Royal Singuless Troupe, from Ceylon, genuine East Indians, in an entertaining series of native pastimes; Thomas and Ward, clever sketch artists, who are held over from last week; Geo. Sandifer and Ora Criswell, likewise holdovers, who have been making pronounced hits single-handed. They are putting on one of the best acts seen here this season and may double up permanently. Glenn and Glenn, a team new to the capital, round out a well-balanced evening's entertainment. The musical numbers by Prof. A. Ross' admirable orchestra and the thrilling photo plays add greatly to the enjoyment of the Howard's fashionable clientele.

For the week of February 12 J. Lenbrie Hill's big company in "My Friend From Dixie" is scheduled. Fanny Wise is underlined for an early appearance.

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Footlight Flashes.

Lewis Mitchell is in New oYrk City. He lost his mother recently.

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A series of postcard "remembrances" bring the gratifying news that Mme. Anita Patti Brown is taking her audiences by storm in Jamaica. She is to give a recital here upon her return in the spring.

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The local admirers of Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the dramatic reader, are preparing to give her a royal reception when she returns to her native home next month. She is winning new laurels in Bermuda.

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White and White, the "long and short of it," are at the Fairyland this week. They are clever artists, and Miss Irma is a "show" by herself.

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W. Preston Bayliss, the painstaking writer upon theatrical matters, has gone to Springfield, Ohio, to launch a race journal. He was an attache of the Census office and utilized the opportunity offered by his position to lay the foundation of a brilliant career in his home State. The craft wishes him abundant success.

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With the return of good weather the Hiawatha is drawing its accustomed audiences.

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Some of our very best vaudeville artists content themselves with jokes and specialties of the vintage of 1875 and hide their talents behind vehicles that are sadly frayed at the edges. New material and new ideas are available calling for only the expenditure of a few dollars and some time in which to study. This is a rapid-fire age, and a last decade's reputation won't be accepted as a substitute for real up-to-date merit.

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Washington is ranking up with New York and Chicago as a "show town." Any performer who is worth his salt can get from siv to ten weeks of steady work here, saving much railroad fare and the wear and tear of travel. Managers are all on the "square," too, and believe in "a live and let live" policy.

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J. Henry Lewis, musical director of the Amphian Glee Club, will present a standard opera in May.

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Managers Green and Rayner, of the popular Foraker, never stop for wind or weather. They give a fine bill every week and hold their patrons thereby. The same may be said of Manager H. W. Smith, of the spacious Blue Mouse, in the West End.

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S. Tutt Whitney's "Mayor of Newtown" will probably close its season at the Howard in May. The piece is making a furore throughout the Southern circuit. Both the music and comedy features "going big."

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Box parties at the Howard are all the rage among the society folk.

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When Editor W. T. Andrews, of the Sumter (S. C.) Defender, and Dr. J. R. Levy, of Florence, S. C., were here a short time ago they visited several of the larger theaters and were greatly impressed with the outlook for colored theaters in communities where the Negro population is large and thrifty. The doctor and Mr. Andrews each own good sized brick buildings in their respective cities, which may readily be converted into theaters, and they have under contemplation plans for making the necessary changes.

LARGEST VAUDEVILLE BILL EVER PUT ON IN COLORED PLAYHOUSE.

Frank Crowd Smashes All Records for Putting on All-Star Acts.

That inimitable Frank Crowd has gone them one better, for never before in the history of the Negro in vaudeville has a colored theatrical magnate (or even a white one) attempted to put on an all-star bill of headline acts, such as are now being seen at the Globe theater at Jacksonville, Fla.

Several seasons ago, William Morris, termed "the bulldog of American vaudeville," and a white manager, gave the public the largest vaudeville that was ever known in history. Just think of twenty-two acts on one bill. But he went broke. After you have turned your casual optics on the vaudeville bill at the colored playhouse, the Globe theater, at Jacksonville, Fla., and take sight at what that great general of amusements, Mr. Frank Crowd, proprietor, is offering the public there is little wonder that the inscription should be written that "the crowds will follow the Crowd," and that successfully, too. In no theater, North or South, is there a theater giving such a bill as the following: Frank Montgomery, amusement director; May and May, known as hte original String Beans; Frank Montgomery and Florence McClain, Brwn, Clarke and Brown, the Rainey Trio, Buster and Willie Porter, Murial Ringgold, Delainey and Delainey, the Gardners, Moore and Moore and Noble and Holt, with a seven-piece orchestra under the leadership of Eugene Francis Mikell. The curtain went down on the first show at a quarter past one and one of the largest crowds that ever gathered filed out of the theater well pleased and surprised at seeing one of the highest class and largest troupes of players that ever came to Jacksonville.

"What do you think of Crowd?" they said, "there is no limit to his efforts Frank Crowd is really a dare-devil; certainly he is the only colored man in the world that would attempt to give such a bill. William Morris went broke, will Frank Crowd go broke?" But everybody likes that Frank Crowd spirit in business and he cannot help but win who says "What it takes to give a show I'll have it," and that is what Mr. Crowd has said. So that is the reason that he is breaking all records with the variety show financially and every other way. He knows you've got to spend it to make it and that is the reason he is making it.

—C. D. M.

THE AUDITORIUM THEATER.

South Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Program—Brown and Brown, singing comedians and dancers; Prof. John W. Woods, ventriloquist, a novelty within a novelty; Dahomean Trio, Aunt Dinah's boys, they talk, they play brass, they sing and oh! such funny dances; Crosby and his Creole Belles, in a plantation sketch, "From Plantation to the Parlor." The show is extraordinarily strong and playing to crowded houses.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW

By Sylvester Russell

CHICAGO THEATRICALS.

The Smart Set Returns to the Alhambra.

S. H. Dudley and the Smart Set Company returned to the Alhambra January 21, for a week's stay. "Dr. Beans From Boston," which was again presented, elicited as much merriment as on its formal introduction. S. H. Dudley fairly bubbled over with mirth and lively sayings. His song, "What Did I Say That For," was a successful repeater. Arthur Talbot gave excellent satisfaction dramatically as the hotel keeper. James Burris was an excellent straight man in keeping Dudley supplied with wisdom. Henry Troy, the boy with golden chords, in his tenor solo, "Dearest Memories," took five encores. The glee chorus which was excellent again overweighed the singer throughout. Miss Daisy Martin, whose lips were painted red, did nothing amazing in art but her dancing was improved even if her relationship to the burlesque stage is apparent. Alberta Ormes-Dudley again looked fascinating as the fortune teller and wore nice dresses. Rolly Gibson was also clever. Among those in the cast are William Ramsey, Frank DeLyon, Ella Bevins, Arthur Wilson, Hattie Burris, Jessie Harris and others. Will H. Vodery directed the music with skill and George Smith, the trap drummer, again exhibited his skill in that direction. H. C. Ditmas and M. J. Joyce are managers with the company, and James Harris is stage manager. The chorus work this season is better than ever.

Carita Day Returns to the Grand, More Popular than Ever.

There was a very strong bill on hand at the Grand Monday evening last when Carita Day, one of the greatest dancing stars in vaudeville, played a return date more popular than ever. She was gorgeously gowned and wore white slippers. Singing a song seated at the telephone was an innovation, and her dance with the dummy was an animated piece of art in light fantastic steps. The Michaels, direct from New York, was a new colored team on the scene, which eacily made good. Mr. Michaels is a good comedian with a singing voice of good quality. His first entrance in fancy minstrel attire, adds nothing modern to his act and his second suit is the best. The same could be said of his wife, who is an exceedingly clever woman in every particular, especially in her dancing. It was the second part of their work which scored heavily. Patrams comedy circus, once seen at the Pekin, was very good. Nordstrom and Gibbs, in "By the Gas Route," were good actors in a good sketch, the lady being an excellent actress. Carl Demarest, a clever violinist, attracted attention by playing opera in rag time. In this number the orchestra, which is gradually improving, was not effective, especially Frank Tate, violinist, Nelson Kincaid, the clarinet artist, and Miles Harris, a very good trap drummer.

Opal Cooper, a local tenor singer, who appeared in classical numbers, won hearty recognition. The last half of last week had an all white bill which was very good. Edwards' animal circus was one of the finest and brainiest acts of the kind seen in vaudeville. The kicking mule was itself a show of its own for fun making in general. Fritz Houston, an electric cartoonist of great ability, was one of the most complete scenes of shadowgraphic drawing on glass reflected by electricity I have ever seen in vaudeville. Mullen and Herbert and Chas. Lindholm, in "The Man from Minnesota," were good.

Tim Moore and Wife as a Heavy Box Office Attraction at the Monogram.

The Moores were quite the thing again on their return to the Monogram in a new act. Tim Moore, who is the newest find in original legitimate comedians, was again the drawing card of the week, so hilarious is his squeaky cry, his burly brawl and bits of comedy work that he and his wife, who is doing a clever black face act, are fit for the "big time." The Carter Trio, which made its first appearance at this house, is an act suited to the South in general character, which should appeal to the North as well. Mr. Carter is a good comedian who needs a modern repertoire of songs. His wife sang "Suwanee River" very sweetly, but a little slow, which is the fault of the leader, when an artist doesn't know. The finale of the act included a little girl, who is a pretty good dancer and who, if she remains with her parents until she becomes of age, will have the making of a fairly good performer. Madam Lizzie Hart made her re-appearance in a new collection of songs. The most effective one, "Don't Wake Me Up, I'm Dreaming," brought forth well merited applause. Jerry Mills, the well-known actor, appeared in an undressed monologue which opened the show.

The Phoenix Picture Plays Continue to Attract.

The patronage at the Phoenix seems to cling to sensational romance. To add to this the orchestra is lively and Charles Mitchell, a modern trap drummer, is fast winning attention in cannon and gun trappings. The new pictures were "A Red Cross Trapper" and "A Spanish Wooing." The pictures in the illustrated song slides are beautiful.

Motts' Pekin theater is closed, it is said pending a decision in the first suit to claim of heirship. The theater buffet and upstairs are still open.

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DeKoven Thompson and Alfred Anderson recently won their suit for the ownership of their song, "Your Heart," from the defunct Blood-Koehler music company. Messrs. Dean and Dorsey had to hand the song over to its owners.

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Arthur Allen and LeRoy Morton are at the Premier, and Happy John Goodloe and wife are at the Virginia, both of the Doyle circuit, and Simmons and Gibbs are at the Bijou Dream.

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Mr. Bradshaw, of the "Chicken Trust," big vaudeville act, had an altercation with Harry Johnson, one of his actors and was arrested. The act is now laying off.

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Billy Brown, of the "Era Comedy our," was married to Miss Nannie Sands, formerly of Pittsburg, on Monday, January 15, at her Chicago home, 3630 Dearborn street. Here goes the rice!

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Ali Jabo, the Hindoo juggler, who took out a company of his own recently, has returned to the city with his people. Jabo, who is known in private life as Shester Cunningham, came home ill from overwork in managing the company.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, grandmother of Tim Moore, recently died at her home, Port Byron, Ill. Mr. Moore arrived in time for the funeral services.

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The Kolored Kandy Kids were atSaginaw, Mich., last week. This week they are at Bay City. The trio consists of Phil White, Miss Selley and Mr. Plenty.

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I am in receipt of a letter from Romeo L. Dougherty, sporting and dramatic editor of the Amsterdam News of New York City, young in the field, who expresses admiration of my work in the theatrical element. This is one of hundreds of letters I have received, like Paul Lawrence Dunbar, to hand to certain weak actors and musicians, in return for lemons.

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The try-out big act of Buddy Gilmore's, which included the two Russell's, did not get booked up. The Russells will again work double. Gilmore is at present playing traps, under price, in a wine room.

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Miss Mabel Gant has been very ill and threatened with pneumonia at her boarding residence, 727 South Sixteenth street, Philadelphia, Pa. She was still confined to her room as The Freeman went to press. It is her intention to return to Chicago, if able.

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It will do well for me to inform actors that the Broad Ax published the very same identical kind of criticism as I did regarding the closing of the Walker theater and its manager. No one seemed to know the author, so there were no criminal threats. I only mention this for the sake of a few certain actors to save them from getting slaughtered for picking out the certain but wrong man. In the meantime Mr. Russell remains popular with the public and with the best class of actors and musicians in a very important branch of work.

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If Baby F. Seals, an actor whom I have not yet seen, desires a literary outfit he must have it by all means. Mr. Seals says this: "So let my brothers and sisters of the North wait until we fail, frost or otherwise, then jump on us with both feet. One race of people on top of us is enough for the present." Not for the sake of Mr. Seals, but because of the conditions affecting actors, I make this reply. There should be no ill feeling existing between the Northern and Southern actors. Most of our representative actors have come from the South. Most actors who make their first trip North are green and often incapable both in artistic development, advanced literary equipment and clothes of the right kind to attract in a big city. So they have to get broken in when they set to Chicago. They arrive half frightened to death because some ignorant actor has told them that the critic will knock them. But this is all untrue. The kind of criticism I give them is instructive and won't hurt them at all so far as getting work is concerned, but if their talent is so poor that they can't succeed anyhow, it is up to me to tell them and save them from any further failure. Actors like Butler May (String Beans) are criticised by me because they are good but do not handle the right stuff. When they get dressed up they go down South and send back withered boquets instead of studying the Russell criticisms and then return better, with the hope that the next Russell indorsement will send them over the big time and land them in New York. They went home. They can stay in Birmingham or return to Chicago for new indorsements if they like; the way to succeed is to doubly try, and not to balk. Seals' talk is baby talk. The show business requires that an actor must make good. No critic of honor and experience will deliberately knock a performer to do him harm. Actors are public characters and their work will always be praised or criticised, but they won't be able to knock the most capable critic in the head just because they know who he is. The assertion that white people are all against us is an ignorant mistake. Our duty is to first demonstrate and show what we are ourselves.

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The Friend.

'Tis hard to see the friend,
The one whose love is constant,
On whom you can depend;
For envy's there, you bet,
To tear friendships assunder,
And leave a sad regret.
Still, at the journey's end,
The one who is rejected,
Is there to be—The Friend.

SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

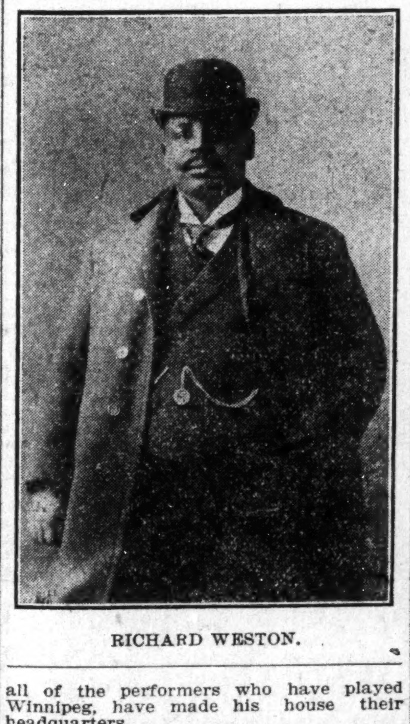
RICHARD WESTON DEAD.

The Grim Reaper Cuts Short a Uuseful Life.

Again the grim reaper has removed from among us, he, whose likeness is herewith presented, another of the old guard of colored performers. We refer to the death of Richard Weston, which occurred at his home, 641 Bannatyne avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Sunday, January 7, 1912, at 11:40 a. m.

To the few, who are left of the old professionals, Dick, as he was familiarly called, needs no introduction; and we may truthfully say, that his name and fame as a pianist and musical director is equally well known to the younger school.

For the past ten years he has called Winnipeg home; and in that time nearly



RICHARD WESTON.

all of the performers who have played Winnipeg, have made his house their headquarters.

He was born at Little Rock, Ark., September 2, 1867, and departed this life on January 7, 1912. He had suffered from a complication of diseases for some time, but death was directly attributable to enlargement of the heart. He died firm in the hope of salvation, and one of his last acts was to call his wife and son to his bedside, and pray for, and with them, that they might glorify the Savious, and meet him again in heaven.

The funeral services were held at his late residence, Thursday, January 11, at 3 p. m., and were conducted by the Rev. T. H. Slater, of St. Paul's Mission. The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

He leaves to mourn his loss, a wife and one son, Richard Weston, Jr., together with a host of friends.

COOPER AND ROBINSON AROUSE NP THINGS AT KEITH'S.

Act Is at Once a Hit With the Grand Patrons.

(By Marshall.)

Not in all of the season of 1911 did there appear a colored act in the house of B. F. Kieth's Grand opera house, this city, and by some hook or crook unannounced George W. Cooper and William Robinson are at Keith's this week, appearing to great advantage.

Cooper and Robinson have always been a "popular chord" with the people who know good acting, from their very first beginning. Real talent and originality can outstrip anything else you may offer in the show business and Cooper and Robinson are proving that they are past masters along that line here this week in their clever oddity, "A Friend of Mine." George W. Cooper is the highest expression of cleverness in his straight part. Unlike so many of them he has a soft, expressive voice that is convincing to all as he argues with his partner about his ungentlemanly conduct at a social function. So realistic and earnest is his heated debate with "Bill" that it gives Robinson a dozen different ways to provoke heart-aching laughter and they certainly shout. But Robinson goes about it in a careful way, knowing just what to do and say at the right time without the slightest strain or overdoing himself. You laugh at him, heartily, but not because he does contortion acts with his lips or has any slap-stick methods to offer, but you laugh at him for his naturalness of humor. It has been some time since Indianapolis theater goers have seen such fantastic footwork as Robinson puts into his dancing and they certainly are applauded roundly for the great comedian. I doubt if there is another colored artist who has it on "William Bill" at all. To put it right Cooper and Robinson have the right sort of an act that other colored performers should pattern after in the point of cleanness, originality, cleverness and up-to-dateness.

CROWN GARDEN.

Tim E. Owsley, Manager.

The show at the Crown this week was good, in spots. The crowd was much larger than it has been any time since the zero weather has been in evidence. The show opened with a light thirty-minute musical comedy—light on the comedy, but the musical numbers were well received, each number taking an encore. And the audience liked it from start to finish. The song hits were: "Ragtime Land," by Demos Jones and company; "Jungle Isle," by Georgia Davis and company; "Without You the World Don't seem the Same," by Tim E. Owsley and company;; "Bamboo Land," Charlie "Chicken" Jones and company. J. W. Greer is the comedian, and fair. A Mankin act caught the eyes of the children and a few grown ups. Charlie "Chicken" Jones in song and dance, proved a favorite.

Baby F. Seals' act was funny beyond a doubt. But Al Boyd killed it. Mr. Boyd like a cow giving good milk, in tun kicks it over. For four weeks Mr. Boyd seemed to be a number one character actor. But Monday night he was sickening. Yet as a whole, the show was good. The orchestra has improved. The Crown is a barn-like structure, yet the patrons get their money's worth.

K. C. E.

THE SOUTHERN THEATORIUM.

Wilmington, N. C.

The Southern Theatorium has been having packed houses. The Rainey Trio, making their fourth week and they are a scream at all times. The Matthews Sisters, in their sixth week and still going good. Madam Rosetta Brannon, playing her second engagement in this house in the past three months, and judging from the audience she wil remain for some time. The only and original Happy How, making his tenth week, and still going good. Miss Lucile McGinty is making a great hit.

ROUTE.

S. H. DUDLEY, in "Dr. Beans From Boston"—Cleveland, O., week of Jan. 28.

BLACK PATTI MUSICAL CO.—Columbus, Ga., Jan. 29; Albany, 30; Tallahassee, Fla., 31; Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 1; South Boston, 2.

J. LUBRIE HILL, in "My Friend From Dixie"—Worcester, Mass., Jan. 29, 30, 31; Springfield, Feb. 1, 2, 3.

"JOLLY" JOHN LARKINS—Paul's Valley, Okla., Jan. 29; Ardmore, 30; McAllister, 31; Shawnee, Feb. 1; El Reno, 2; Oklahoma City, 3.

TEN DARK KNIGHTS—Bijou Theater, Fitchburg, Mass., week of Jan. 28.

LOWRY & MORGAN'S MINSTRELS—Brunswick, Mo., Jan. 30; Chillicothe, 31; Kirksville, Feb. 1; Moberly, 3.

A. G. ALLEN'S MINSTRELS—New Orleans, Jan. 29.

KELLEY'S COLORED CARNIVAL—Carson City, Mich., Jan. 29.

THE JUBILEE MINSTRELS—Roanoke, Ala., Jan. 29.

GEORGIA COON SHOUTERS—H. La She, mgr.—Pelston, Mich., Jan. 29, 30.

WM. McCABE'S GEORGIA TROUBADOURS—Marion, Kan., Feb. 1; Canton, 2; Newton, 3.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Blake, Enoch	McCamon, J. H.
The Bruces	Perkins, Master D.
Cross, Tom	Peat, E. F.
Carter, Paul.	Sheftel, Joseph.
Dudley, E. B.	St. Clair, Harry
Elliott, E. J.	Smith, James
English, Ed.	Simmons, Cal.
Hull, D. R.	Sadler, Wm.
Harris, Chas. J.	Straughter, Edwa
Harris, Geo.	Timmons, Willie.
Hughes, Atrus	Thomas, W. A.
Jones, Archie	Taylor, Geo.
Kewley, Fred	Taylor and Taylor
Lee, Wm.	Veneable, Ellek
Lee, Walter	Valentine, Alex.
Lacy, Prof. J. H.	Wolfscale, Geo.
Mayfield, W. M.	Wise, Hen.
Mickels, Eugene	Wright, A. A.
Mayfield, W. H.	Winn, oJe.
Moore, J. H.	Zeeke, Billy.
Moppin, Pearl.	

Ladies' List.

Bright, Miss Gussie.	Moore, Miss Mazie
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The Wallburys, after finishing three successful weeks at the Grand Central theater, Dallas, Texas, opened Monday night at the Alcazar theater, Galveston, Texas, and went big in their original act, "A Daughter of Uncle Sam." Rae, the female member of the team, created quite a sensation in her new harem gown that was made by the Wolfe-Fording, costumers, especially for this act. They send best regards to all in and out of the profession.

The Baltimore Star on Lubrie Hill and his forty colored stars

"J. Lubrie Hill and his forty colored stars in the three-act musical comedy, "My Friend From Dixie," made a hit last night with the large audience that filled the Holliday Street theater. The scenes of the play are laid in Kentucky and the scenic effects are elaborate. Hill easily outclassed the other members of his company, although Richard Shelton, in the role of Jim Jackson Lee, ran him a close second.

The Dumas Club musicales in Indianapolis are meeting with success. The program of Tnursday evening, January 18, was horter than usual owing to the weather, which was severely cold. Those appearing made good. Edgar Grason, of splendid voice and good culture. His solo was high class and well rendered. Robers Cary is a best example or ragtime; puts class in it; fine mood. The Jacksons, clarinetists, gave a varied program of their ability to use those instruments. Richard Jackson uses two at once with success. Their work was well received. They give promise of being among the topnotchers in the near future.

Wilson and Cumby, in the "Band man and iHs Band," are scoring heavily on the coast over the Pantage time. While en route from Sacramento to Los Angeles, they spent six very pleasant hours at the home of Miss Claudine Lacey in San Francisco. A luncheon was served. On Thursday, January 4th, special invitations were extended to them to a dinner at the beautiful home of Mrs. Mincie Blackshere. Mrs. C. Oliver, proprietress of the Golden West hotel, Mr. J. Williams, of Phoenix, Ariz; Mr. B. Edwards and Williams Brothers, of Denver, Col., and Mr. Hawkins, of Salt Lake City, Utah, were among those present.

BROOKS AND SMITH PLAYERS.

Please allow me through the columns of your paper to pay a tribute of high respect to the Brooks and Smith Players, at the Barrett theatorium, No. 2611 Pine street, St. Louis, Mo. Too much praise and honor cannot be given to Miss Theresa Burroughs, the dainty soubrette, and Mr. Speedy Smith, the little comedian with the noise. Mr. Marion A. Brooks is giving the public amusement which they have never witnessed in any theatorium in St. Louis.

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Miss Theresa Burroughs is following in the footsteps of the famous Aida Overton Walker and Minnie Ha! Ha!

With best wishes to the Barrett theatorium, FLOYD ROSS, vice president and deputy general of True Reformers.

JACKSONS' PROGRAM AT DUMAS CLUB MUSICAL INDIANAPOLIS.

Miss Jackson's recitation was very nicely rendered. She also plays the clarinet, which is quite a novelty. Her playing was very good.

Jackson as clarinetist has had experience with some of the large show bands and orchestras, which is an assurance of his ability as a reader on his instrument.

Should the Jacksons continue in this line of work success is predicted for both of them.

NOTES OF "THE ADAM SHOW."

By Mme. Ida B. Hooten.

We are now in tne region of the "Cotton and Corn," way down in Georgia. Everybody is well and happy. Our show has been strengthened by the addition of Mr. Ed. Bunch (Monkey Bunch) and he leaves the house in an uproar when he sings "I Am Eating Joe." Then Mr. Bunch and Ford Wiggins double in a buck dance on which they have to take three and four encores. Mr. Harry Jones, our monologuist, leaves them all guessing when ne sings "Jessie James."

The Lockharts are still with us and are making good with their sketches and songs. While Mrs. Lockhart sings "Lovie Joe" our little child soubrett, Ada Jackson, follows with "All Alone," and cleans with her song.

Mr. Charles Jenkins is still making good singing "If I Had Some Money," and Mr. J. H. Hines sings "I've Been Told."

Our leading lady, Mme. Ida B. Hooton, joined us at Adel, Ga She has been home spending the holidays with friends and reatives. She reports a god time.

Our stage manager, Mr. Eugene B. Hooton, deserves much credit in the way he does his work, especially in the way he cares for his people and in the staging of his shows. He still sings "That Railroad Rag," "Little Rastus,' "Jonathan Johnson" and "I Want a Home in Washington."

Our orchestra consists of Mr. Henry Clay, pianist; "Mrs. Henri Stride, violinist, and Mr. George B. Hudson, traps.

The cold weather has struck us, but we still play to packed houses.

The entire bunch sends regards to the Dana Thompson Shows, also to Thomas Price, of the Silas Green Shows.

Mr. George F. Osteling, our manager and owner never fails to wear the smile that never wears off. We send our regards to all in and out of the profession.

A GREAT CORNETIST.

The Height of Ambition Reached.

Little attention has been given to the fact that in the course of the year which has just closed a marked change of improvement was unquestionably noticed in regard to the comparison of colored musicians.

Probably only one can be mentioned as a successful cornetist who has worked his way to the ladder of fame. We may note one Perry G. Lowery, a product of Reece Kansas, who began his theatrical career about a quarter of a century ago when every cornetist hoped high,—ridiculously, absurdly high. Well, instead of slowly advancing, many suffered from exaggerated ego, and up to the present time have made a poor progression, although the unfolding of the next ten years will answer. But the fact is worth taking notice of.

Mr. Lowery is today the undisputed king of colored cornetists, and moreover a promoter of theatrical enterprises. He is so unlike and yet so much alike; believes in expressing himself with straightforward simplicity; has plenty of common sense and the saving grace of humor. Spiritualists have said: "His prosperity is annointed with the blessings of the Almighty."

A bright future for performers may be found deep in the heart of this soft-spoken, unemotional man, who has been content to let others enjoy the limelight while he has quietly helped to bring things to pass. Thus he has learned the inner workings of the profession.

May success and a prosperous future remain with him, are the well wishes of yours truly,

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CENTRAL THEATER, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

L. D. Joel, the sole owner and manager, was all smiles last week. The King Stock Company proved to be a winner. They opened on the 15th of the month to a full and appreciatve audience. The remarks, "good show," spread like a riot call next day, and has caused large crowds to assemble early in the evenings, waiting for the doors to be opened. The words, "a laugh every minute," do not apply to this funny farce, "Senator Jones from Alligator Bay;" it is a continuous roar of side-splitting laughter.

Billy Higgins and George Boyd in the comedy roles, assisted by Anna St. Clair, made the audience stand in their seats and scream.

The vaudeville bill was a great feature. Anna St. Claire's first appearance met with favor. She is listed as one of our beautiful soubrets and was forced to respond to several encores. She was followed by Clara Smith, also a new one in this field. Her act is a peculiar one. She opens tame but leaves them wainting more.

The Conolley and Tayor Company with picks were holdovers. Their act was as fresh as if they had never been seen here before. No family act can hold its own with this one.

Lililan Brown, a charming little actress, was the recipicant of a grand ovation. Then she proceeded to go after her audience; at the finish she was applauded loudly.

Mattie Whitman was taken sick. We hope to see her out against soon.

The Wiggin Brothers closed one of the best vaudeville bills seen in any colored theater. They are singers and dancers of no small merit, using the best wardrobes seen on any colored team, making several changes during the act. Their act would headline on big time.

THE SUCCESSFUL CAREER OF BABY F. SEALS.

A Progressive Artist Who Has Won a Reputation Country Wide.

The coming of Mr. Baby F. Seals to the Crown Garden Theater, Indianapolis, Ind., has created much comment here among critics and observers of things theatrical. The reason for so much comment is that Mr. Seals is one of the most representative actors of the day, South or North. His well-known stand for the progressive, original artist has won for him a reputation that is known the country over. Of course, he is from the South, and he sees bright prospects ahead for the performers of that section of the country, as well as for the northern portion.

"Yes, sir; the sister and brother performer of the South has no reason to be ashamed of the distinction they have won upon the vaudeville stage," he exclaimed, in talking of the performers of the South. "In fact, he has rather a right to be proud of the reputation he has made and is making, for it seems that nearly every actthat invades the North generally makes good or soon becomes a headliner. In fact, there are very few incidents where a Southern act has been canceled. There are several bad features that I find in the variety performer that should be remedied, and that may be first in their disposition to steal the efforts of another and to make no attempt at originality, and then that demon of loving to knock and belittle one another. Whatever success I have attained in the theatrical world has been through my pleasure of playing fair with everyone and doing all I can to be original. I fear no critic from the fact that I try to do everything I can as artistic as possible."

B F. SEALS.

True enough, Mr. Seals has demonstrated that fact in the sevral weeks that he has been at the Crown Garden Theater, by giving us something that is fresh and particularly witty and humorous and never vulgar. Mr. Seals is what the new generation of performers must be if they would win at all. He likes brilliancy in all things, be it on or off the stage. He has a face that one would like to see every day, because it shows you a rare character and a good heart. There are times when he is indeed very serious and there are times—and a great many of them—when he likes the hearty laugh and the profferea hand. That laugh has won for him many friends while her. In fact they fill the house every night to get that laugh. With that laugh goes a sportive nature, for he is a lover of athletics and his towering form shows the highest possible development of physical culture.

But the real importance that we find in Seals is his artistic ability as a writer of songs and sketches and his peculiar tact of studying humorous characters and the developing them and creating them upon the stage. But the best of it is he is ever springing something new. If the variety stage can ever get a few more Baby F. Seals then we feel that colored theaters will have little reason for closing, and managers will smile while the people will ever continue happy.

MISS HENRIETTA VINTON DAVIS IN BERMUDA.

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ST. GEORGE'S, Bermuda, B. W. I. —Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the favorite of America's dramatic readers, reached the island on the steamship Oceanica after a stormy sail out of New York. She was warmly welcomed at the dock by a host of friends who pleasantly remembered her former visit here, and to them it seemed that the cultured interpreter had just returned home. She is comfortably installed with her friend and manager, Miss Alberta L. Burgess at Kent Lodge, where she will make her headquarters during her tour of the island. Of Miss Davis' initial appearance in this place the Bermuda Colonist, the leading daily, says:

"On Tuesday evening Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, of Washington, D. C., assisted by local talent, gave a delightful entertainment at the A. M. E. Church in St. George's. His Worship, Mayor James, occupied the chair and tendered Mis Davis a very hearty welcome back to St. George's, to which she responded in her usual vivacious manner. The audience was no less pleased than His Worship to meet the well-known elocutionist once more and signified their appreciation of her presence by their hearty applause.

"Miss Davis, as usual, was liberal, and gave no less than four encores. Among her interpretations were: 'Lasca, 'The People's Literary,' "Virginius' and 'A Mother's Kindred Feeling,' with a happy selection from Paul Laurence Dunbar entitled 'Encouragement.' The Rev. A. Stewart, of the A. M. E. Church, played three violin solos, which were greeted with enthusiasm. Miss S. Burgess, Mrs. T. Richardson, Miss H. Reid and Mr. Burch rendered vocal solos, which came in for their full share of appreciation. Miss Alberta L. Burgess was the manager of the highly enjoyable entertainment."

Miss Davis returns to the United States about the first of February and will make an extended tour of the country, opening in New York City.

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SPORTING NEWS.

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LONDON.—Bombadier Wells, the English heavyweight champion, has canceled his steamer passage for America and will not go there until next season. The fact that Jack Johnson is signed up for a mill with Jim Flynn precluded the Englishman from a fight with the champion, causing him to postpone his trip to America.

Old Pop Anson, the baseball veteran who was the idol of the fans in the eighties, is to return to the diamond. Cap announced plans today for resuming his old station at first base during the tour of the major league teams in the south. Anson will combine baseball exhibitions with his vaudeville stunts. Anson says his eye is still good, and he hopes to bat above .300.

Johnson insists that Flynn must not fight Al Palzer in New York, and as yet no responsible club has come forward with the proper guarantee for staging the championship battle. The offers of $100,000 for the Johnson-Flynn battle from Garbridge, Nev., and Las Vegas, N. M., are not taken seriously by the local sporting fraternity. Curley, however, is investigating both proposals.

Here follows the conceded champions: Frank Gotch, wrestler; Connie Mack, baseball; Bob Burman, speed king; Ty Cobb, batsman; Jack Johnson, pugilist; Willie Hoppe, balkline billiards; John Paul Jones, mile runner; Alfred De Oro, pool and three cushion; Harold H. Hilton, golf; W. A. Larned, tennis; Jimmy Smith, bowler; S. B. White, football. All of these are white, except Jack Johnson, pugilist.

NEW YORK.—Al Palzer, regarded as one of the most promising of the "white hopes," is not looking for a match with Jack Johnson, at least for a year.

"Palzer is just a kid," said Tom O'Rourke, his manager, today, "and he needs experience. I want him to meet Jim Flynn and Carl Morris before he even thinks of a match with the big Negro. When I send Palzer in against Johnson, you can bet he will win."

A MAN WANTED TO PUT KING JACK OFF.

(Boston Herald.)

From all appearances fight promoters are taking desperate chances eventually to divest Jack Johnson of his title, and the recent matching of Jim Flynn with the Negro champion only strengthens the belief. Practically anybody who has any experience in the game and has shown before the public for any length of time will get a chance to show what he can do toward solving the question that has been before the Caucasian race ever since Jim Jeffries went down to an inglorious defeat before Johnson at Reno, Nev., July 4, 1910.

Were Johnson a white man, there would be no excuse for the matchmakers even thinking of matching Flynn with him. Jack, being an unpopular champion, is doomed to defeat sooner or later, and if his tumble from the throne can be brought about within the next year, it will be all the more gratifying to those who are anxious to see the trick turned.

It is the common opinion that the proposed matching of Flynn and Johnson is just the first of a number of bouts that will follow. Fight critics are inclined to believe that anybody who shows an aptness for the game, a good physique and can be taught to punch with sufficient power to be dangerous, will be shunted into the ropes to give the champion battle.

About the only way Flynn or his supporters can hope to win is to drug Johnson the night of the bout or feed him poison just before bell time for the first round. Flynn never was better than a trial horse, and on several occasions he has proved a poor one at that. Sam Langford knocked him cold in a round in one of their meetings and could have done the trick another time had the Boston Tar Baby not preferred to let the Pueblo man make a decent showing before his friends.

Then how can any sane person predict anything but a victory for the present champion. If Johnson tries, it wouldn't be surprising if the ex-fireman went out before the tenth round expires. And to think that the big black is to get a fortune of $30,000 for that! But it shows what the promoters are willing to do to satisfy their whims, or else money is more plentiful than dirt in Nevada.

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A VERBAL BOUT—A RED-HOT ROUND.

Johnson Gets a Shade the Best of Corbett—Some Say That He Fouled—The Coming Fight Fails to Excite Anybody—Champion Thinks He sees His Finish.

By Billy.

Jim charged at Jack; he must have landed powerfully on Johnson's solar plexus, or some other more vital point of the champion's spiritual anatomy. He said that Jack was "stalling," or in other words, ducking men who had a chance to put out his light, in favor of a set of mediocres who had no chance whatever of making a respectable showing with him. Corbett thinks Johnson is working his good thing to a finish, refusing to run any risk whatsoever. He had the nerve to say so over his own name. Johnson was wounded to the quick and yelled like a stuck boar.

What Corbett said was no more than what is being said generally. An perhaps, it is no crime to form a trust, but it is sometimes darned inconvenient to the other felow. It is evident that Jack has cornered the game; and he is not to be blamed very much for that, that is, as things go now a days. Mr. Rockefeller, Morgan et al. knew something of squeezing when it comes one's way to do so. Jack's vigorous kicking concerning a simple charge does not mend the matter. He should have replied in kind, answering the specific charges as advanced by Mr. Corbett.

Instead of answering him he gets back at him just like a vaudeville stunt, where one of the performers feel it necessary to outrival the other fellow at any cost. This over much protesting invites suspicion. Of course what was said by the ex-champion and the present champion was interesting because of who said it. Anything they say is good.

Champion Jack got the better of the round if his blows were legitimate. He read the "gentleman's" title clear, pulling things on him that he did not think he would ever hear again. And maybe Jack laid it on a bit, and because he thought he felt the provocation. At any rate Jim went down for the count, and at this writing is still down. Some say that it was an ugly foul, and should have been barred. But whatever those distinguished gentlemen do is such valuable news matter that everything goes without protest. In my opinion Jack fouled Jim—punched below the belt.

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Now for the fight that will not enthuse. This country is getting England hued on the approaching Johnson-Flynn fight. That is to say not many can see where fun is going to come in. It is conceded that Johnson will make pulp out of Flynn and the fans and the rest of the contingent are not after seeing a pulp mill.

Flynn may be deceiving however, and when the smoke has cleared away at Reno II, or wherever it may be, Johnson may be minus a crown.

However, no one thinks seriously of any such thing. It is thought Johnson will split Flynn in two, and vertically at that, if he chooses to land fair and square on his conch. Someone has the following to say of the two men, which will show their relative and absolute values:

"Look up Jim Flynn's record and you will find that he fought with Jack Johnson at Frisco November 2, 1907. A capital K after his name and the preceding explanation "by" shows how the fight went and farther out on the line we have a figure "11," meaning eleven rounds. That tells the story of that fight briefly. Jim Flynn went into the ring that afternoon against the big black, a joke. Jack looked him over and said, "Nice looking child, isn't he? How much did he weigh?" Then Flynn tried to slap the Negro on the side of the face, but he couldn't get anyways nearer his admirer. The bout continued a farce up until the eleventh round, when Flynn thought he would get over a crack about Jack's ancestry and the origin of the race. The humor didn't carry and Jack reached out and pelted him one with his big rough mit. Down went Mr. Flynn for the count."

Toyed with him as a cat does a mouse until he got good and ready to eat him up. Here is advanced the fact of Flynn's improvement:

"Well, since that time Jim Flynn has improved. Or wo might say he has improved in the last year. He fought seven fights last year and all were won by the k. o. route until he met Carl Morris. He gave Morris a bad beating. It was two years later when Johnson won his title. He improved, too, in those two years, more than Flynn has improved in the last year."

All know that Johnson has come up, also, perhaps faster than Flynn, thus really increasing the distance between them. What does that mean for Flynn? Oblivion.

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Johnson is none too hopeful of his advertised match with Flynn. He seems to have no talk for McVea, a man of his calibre, or Jeannette or Langford, men of thirteen-inch bore. It is a fight with a measly white hope or nothin' doin'. In this he may be overplaying his hand. Of course he is interested more in the money end, and as every one situated would be. But the public is anxious to see the best men in all lines a thing Johnson does not care to understand. He has the whip hand and can do much at carrying out his own ideas, but at that he must concede the public something. This was the animus of Corbett's attack, rather than a stab at Johnson.

It is to his interest to appear to be "toting" fair. An undercurrent might set in and destroy his hopes if the idea obtains that he is running from worthy opponents. The best answer Mr. Johnson can give, is to say that he will fight any and all worthy comers. A champion has no other alternative. In fact, he is suposed to be at the mercy of other men who are everlastingly knocking at his crown. He reverses the situation, making it appear too much of an honor to fight him. The title is every man's title when he can win, every man should not be defeated of the opportunity.

Johnson knows that his course of action is not met with enthusiasm. He thinks of taking up wrestling so that he may yet linger in the spotlight. He loathes to give up the game but sees plainly that things are not as lovely as mariage bells. If the Flynn fight should fail, or should it not fail it is to be hoped that Johnson will simply be prepared to defend his title against those who would wrest it from him. He has no right to maneuver to keep from fighting any man that's worthy to meet him.

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After all Flynn's pugilistic pedigree is not so bad. He, however, has trouble with the good ones. He has been fighting since he was 19. That makes eleven years of it. He has fought sixty-four battles and won forty-four of them. Thirty-three went to his credit by the k. o. route. There were thirteen draws and three won on fouls. He lost six battles. He was knocked out twice by Sam Langford and Tommy Burns, Jack Johnson and Al Kaufman put him to sleep once each.

He knocked out Al Kaufmann last spring to get even. Other men of note he has put to sleep are Bill Squires and Tony Caponi. He won seven in 1901, seven in 1902, four in 1903, six in 1904, four in 1905, none in 1906, five in 1907, two in 1908, two in 1909, none in 1910, and seven in 1911.

His real name is Andrew Haymes and not Chiriogli.

WHITE HOPE, LOST HOPE, SAYS THE NEW YORK GLOBE.

None of This Push in Championship Class—Palzer, Morris, Flynn—Johnson Will Have to Fight Black Men.

The New York Globe said recently, as follows:

"It will not be long before the white hope class will be as hopeless as it was the evening that Jim Jeffries took the count at Reno. Over the big stretch of the world there does not appear a white man who is capable of giving Jack Johnson even a little bit of a run for his title. In the 'white hope' set now there are three men who are occupying the stage center alone. They are Carl Morris, Al Palzer and Jim Flynn. It may be said that one will develop sufficiently in a year or so to be able to give Johnson a fight, and, if Jack doesn't follow the straight and narrow path, maybe a beating. But just yet, not a chance has any one of them.

Discounts Hope One by One.

"Al Palzer, who knocked out Al Kaufman last week, has all the earmarks of coming into possession of being the best white man. He is a big, strong fellow, is clever and can stand up under punishment. He is sorely lacking in experience, though, and against a clever man he would hardly know what to do. He is not the cool, deliberate fighter that a champion must be, but maybe that will come to him after a while.

"Jim Flynn, because he beat the inexperienced Carl Morris, has been flaunting colors which proclaim him the great and only 'white hope.' He is a poor one and it is to be hoped that Palzer will show better than he did in their bout at the National Club on February 15, or the entire bottom will be dropped out of the 'white hope' market. There will be no chance until another generation to develop the man who is to 'bring back the Caucasian race,' as Sam Berger once put it, 'the boxing supremacy of the world.'

"It is doubtful to the writer if Flynn could repeat on Morris. The latter has improved a great deal since that unpleasant evening in the garden. But the improvement hasn't been sufficient to stamp him as a marvel or the next champion of the world. He has shown an aptitude for the game, and by many, it is thought, that he is no more raw than was Jeffries when the big Californian started in the game. Morris' gameness cannot be questioned.

Flynn No Chance With Champion.

"Some folks do not see things the way we do, though, and so it is that Johnson has agreed to meet Flynn at Windward, Nev., in June or July, for $20,000 and a third interest in the moving pictures. Johnson waived his old $30,000 claim, saying that he thought the moving picture stuff would pull him up to his mark.

"But the wise ones of the sporting game will merely laugh at Johnson's decision, if such a decision he has made. Many will regard that he is waving the 'white flag' before the persistent cries of Joe Jeannette for a chance at the title. Flynn, as every one knows, will have no more chance against Johnson than a set of nine-year-old ball players would have in hitting against Christy Mathewson when Matty has one of his good days. It's a fine way to evade the man most entitled to a battle.

"Getting right down to brass tacks, we will try to show where Jeannette comes in with a rightful claim for the match and where Johnson can get a big pot of coin right here in little old New York to box Jeannette ten rounds. First let us say that the fear that is entertained by some people that the appearance of Johnson in a bout in this city would be a knock at the game is a mistake. Johnson is a skilled boxer and so long as he is pitted against a man who has a reasonable idea of boxing, there could be no 'knock.' Against Jeannette, Johnson would have his hands full and on paper it looks like an excellent bout and one which would attract fight fans for many miles around. Such a bout would be an improvement in the point of a spectacle to a bout between Carl Morris and Al Palzer, or any of the present 'white hopes.'

"Johnson and Jeannette have met in no less than seven contests. To each other's credit is a victory, another bout was a draw and the other four were no decision affairs, and in the cases of these the newspapers which decided on Jeannette were in the majority.

"Johnson outpointed McVey in 20 rounds and repeated later in the same number of rounds with a knockout. This, however, was when McVey first started. Johnson also scored a win over Langford in 15 rounds.

Jeannette and Langford have had any number of fights. Jeannette has a shade on Langford for two reasons. While Sam has won decisions over Joe, the latter made Langford quit once in eight rounds and their last fight in Madison Square Garden belonged to Jeannette. Since then Langford fought and lost to McVey and that was the severest setback of his career, for in losing he dropped back to third place and shot Jeannette into first place because the Hoboken man settled all question of superiority with McVey when he whipped him in 49 rounds of terrific fighting.

"That Jeannette is better today than at any time in his career is shown by his fights of the past year. He had twenty contests, winning them all. Eleven of them were won with knockouts and what's more, he is sincere in his demand for a fight with Johnson. In a talk with him recently he said he would rather fight Johnson than any of the other Negroes."

SPORTING NEWS.

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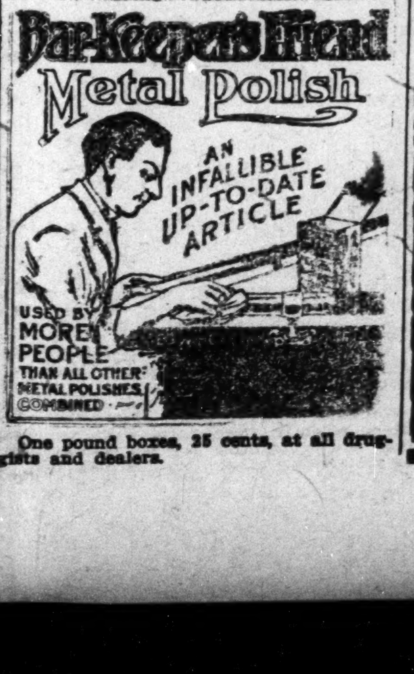

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CITY AND VICINITY.

Cooper and Robinson are playing at the Grand this week.

Mr. John Anderson, of Dayton, O., is in the city for a few days' visit.

A program was rendered by the February graduates at Simpson chapel Thursday.

Miss Herbert Webber, formerly of The Freeman, is now making her home in Chicago.

Mr. Ernest Smith, of 421 Toledo street, is much improved after an illness of several weeks.

Dr. J. H. Ward has moved his office from 722 Indiana avenue, to 435½ Indiana avenue.

Mr. Robert Wethers, formerly of Louisville, Ky., left Indianapolis, Ind., for an indefinite stay, Thursday.

The young ladies of the Christian church gave a leap year party Monday. All reported a delightful evening.

Mr. Will Hampton and Miss Edna Grant, both popular young people of the city, were quietly married this week.

Mrs. White, mother of Morris and Wayman White, was buried Saturday afternoon from Bethel A. M. E. church.

The Men's Club of St. Phillip's Mission will serve dinner Sunday, January 28, at the home of Mr. Fielding, on Michigan street.

The Sisters of Charity are having a rummage sale at the residence of Mr. ielding, on Michigan street. Benefit of Charity hospital.

Dr. W. E. Brown, Ed Shannon, Anthony Courtney and W. H. Fielding attended the funeral of Mr. F. S. Delaney at Louisville Sunday.

Mr. Geo. L. Knox spent Wednesday at Connersville, Ind., where he went to deliver an address before the Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

Mrs. Hallie E. Tidrington, of Evansville, Mrs. Martha Gibbs, of Terre Haute, Ind., were in the city Sunday to attend the meeting of the Endowment Board of the Calanthe Courts.

Queen Esther Court of Calanthe, No. 264, will hold its regular meeting next Thursday eveFning at the Pythian temple. Members are urged to be present. Business of importance.

Mr. M. S. Youree, Jr., of St. Louis, has gone to Waverly, Mo., to attend the funeral of his grandfather, Mel Youree, Sr., who was 110 years old. Mr. Youree leaves to mourn his loss five daughters, thirty-eight great and grandchildren.

Mr. William Jackson, of 1221 East Sixteenth street, is ill. He returned home last Thursday from a visit in Lexington, Ky., as the guest of his neice and nephew Mr. and Mrs. Ed Willis, and sister, Mrs. David Tolles and Mrs. Mamie Carter, of Georgetown.

"BLACK OIL KING" ENGAGED.

It is rumored that Virgil Shephard, known as the "Black Oil King," and an agent for the Indianapolis Brewing Company, is engaged to Miss Bessie Archer, of Kenton, O.

OWSLEY-SHORES NUPTIALS.

Emanuel Timothy Owsley and Miss Helena Shores were quietly married on Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride. Mr. Owsley is a well-known actor and playwright and present desident manager of the Crown Garden Theater. Miss Shores is a popular young lady of society here.

CAMPBELL LECTURES IN INTEREST OF PROTECTIVE UNION.

W. J. Campbell, international organizer of the United Mine Workers of America, lectured Thursday night at Danville, Ill., and will fill an engagement at Evansville, Ind., tonight in the interest of the National Negroes' Industrial and Protective Union of America.

LITERARY SOCIETY MEETS.

The Literary Society of Shiloh Baptist church will hold forth Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the church, corner of West and Walnut streets.

The young as well as the old, are especially invited. The meeting will be instructive as well as interesting and we would like to see many professional men present. The program will consist of debates, solos and recitations, carefully selected for the occasion. Come and bring your friends; hear the program and hear the critic talk. If you cannot come this Tuesday, come next week. We have arranged to meet every Tuesday.

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HAYWOOD-WILSON NUPTIALS.

Mr. William Haywood and Mrs. Anna Wilson were quietly married in the palatial home of Mr. and Mrs. Davis, 515 West street, last Monday evening. A select number of friends were present. One of the many valuable bridal presents is a lovely cottage home bequeathed to them for one year free of charge, given by Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Good. Captain Davis was among those present.

DEATH OF BENJAMIN THOMAS HARRISON, WELL KNOWN IN THE CITY.

Benjamin Thomas Harrison, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Harrison, 1234 East Minnesota street, died after a brief illness of pneumonia Saturday, the 20th inst., at the age of 43 years.

The deceased had resided in this city for more than twenty years and was very popular on account of his cheerful disposition. His illness was of such short duration that his death came as a shock to his family and friends. For several years past he has been employed as one of the janitors at the Board of Trade building.

A short funeral service was conducted by Rev. Charles Lewis at the family residence Sunday evening at 5 o'clock, and the body was taken to Charlestown, Ind., for interment.

COLORED Y. M. C. A. BUYS BUILDING SITE

The bid of the colored Young Men's Christian Association for the property known as the Burkhardt homestead at the southwest corner of Michigan street and Senate avenue was accepted last Tuesday by the German American Trust Company, guardian of the owner of the property, and approved by Judge Frank B. Ross of the Probate Court, who had jurisdiction over the estate. The bid was $6,130. The property was appraised at $5,500. The frontage is about thirty-two feet on Senate avenue. It is understood that the association has an option to purchase the property immediately south of that, for which it bid, and probably will buy that also. The plans of the association for its new building were not discussed in Probate Court, but the location is considered as the best of several considered. The deal has been pending for some time.

LADIES TO BE ADMITTED TO THE Y. M. C. A.

Hon. L. K. Babcock Will Make an Address Before "Monster Meeting."

Ladies will be admitted to the "Monster Meeting" on Sunday as well as men. This has been decided upon owing to the many requests made from time to time to the management and a large crowd is anticipated to hear the Hon. L. K. Babcock, who will be the speaker of the occasion. Many will remember Mr. Babcock, who on a former occasion addressed one of the largest gatherings of colored people on the subject "The Man with the Lantern." His subject for the Sunday meeting will be "A Workman is Known by His Chips." Mr. Babcock is a very entertaFining speaker and on Sunday, will be in keeping with his former record before the "Monster Meeting," this being his sixth time to address the "Monster Meeting.'" The musical program will begin promptly at 3 o'clock and all persons are requested to be present at that time. The Y. M. C. A. band will render the following program:

March—"Vallonia"..... Will J. Nicholson
Selection—"Sweet Evening Bells"..... Geo. Rosenkrans
Serenade—"If I Only Had A Sweetheart"
Overture—Happy Medley..... Havilands
Trombone Solo—"The Holy City"..... C. Johnson
March—"Signal Corps..... Mackie-Beyer

On Wednesday evening a very important meeting of the membership will be held at the building to which every member of the association is urgently requested to be present, as a matter of very great importance will be presented to them for consideration at that time.

COLORED MINERS CONSPICUOUS AT INTERNATIONAD CONTION.

Nearly Twenty-Five of Them Arouse Much Sentiment and Good In Meetings.

Nearly twenty-five colored delegates from every direction of the country are in attendance at the convention of United Mine Workers of America at Tomlinson Hall this week. The convention is now going into its second week and during the eight or ten days that President White has called each meeting to order the colored delegate has been a conspicuous personage. In fact he has been more active than most of the white delegates, and the white press has not failed to express that fact. Some of the most important business matters have been advocated by them and oratory of no mean ability has been the record of the colored members of the convention. In many cases most of the colored delegates were elected from a local union where members were all white, excepting the delegate himself. Probably one of the conspicuous characters at this convention is W. J. Campbell, international organizer.

Mr. Campbell has for a number of years wielded a great influence at these conventions and is looked upon as being one of the leading lights. Mr. Campbell also seemed interested in a new organization which he expressed as becoming the Negroes' greatest champion of right. This new movement, he stated, had already been launched and would be known as the National Negroes' Industrial and Protective Union.

W. M. Prentiss, of DFistrict No. 121, Local No. 1228, Dewmain, Ill., is another important character at this meeting and is generally recognized by the chair because of his business-like tact in all sessions.

John Morris, of ort Pitt, Ohio, Local Union No. 1666, District 6, is generally admired in this convention from the fact that he is a keen observer of every measure gone over in this convention.

A full account of the convention will appear in next week's issue.

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PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

JIM FLYN SPAKS OF MATCH WITH JACK JOHNSON

DEATH CLAIMS PROF. F. S. DELANEY

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LOUISVILE, Ky., Special.

Jim Flynn is in the city this week and he had the following to say in reference to the proposed Johnson-Flynn fight: "I feel that this is my chance and I believe that I will surprise everybody. I know there has been some criticism of the match, but I honestly believe that I have a better chance against Johnson than any white man alive, and my own opinion is that my chances are better than Johnson's. I don't want to boast, but I believe that in the best condition Johnson cannot reach he will not be able to beat me in ten rounds, and every round after that will swing the tide more and more in my favor. I will hurt him where Jeffries couldn't hit him—in the body—and I'll cut him down to my size and then take his measure. I have my fight all figured out. It's all I think about. I can scarcely wait until the day comes, and when it does I will fight with every ounce of strength and life to beat Johnson."

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Prof. F. S. Delaney is dead. The angel of death has kissed his cheeks, his voice is gone. This bit of information was flashed over the city last Friday morning. The friends of the deceased were shocked, although aware of the fact that he was very ill yet they had no idea that he was so near death's door. When useful men like Prof. Delaney die, his friends scattered all over the country should mourn. He succeeded in life because those who knew him had confidence in his integrity and uprightness. He made many friends during his sojourn in our city. because he had great goodness of heart. He served at one time as principal of the Central colored high school, also was a member of the committee of management of the colored department of the Y. M. C. A. He was ever ready to do all in his power to promote the general welfare of the organization. He was the leader of the Louisville Oratorio society, the largest musical organization in the city. He was a faithful member of the Quinn Chapel church. He was indeed a useful citizen, always taking a part in every movement that had for its object the betterment of the colored peaple of this city. At the blind institute of which he was principal when he passed away, he was loved by his associate teachers and pupils. Prof. Delaney has been regarded as a man of principle, one who pursued principles to their logical results. Intellectually he was very able, a man of fine ability. We have been told by his friends that his life from early age was that of an ardent and indefatigable student. His chief ambition was to acquire knowledge and gain mastery of whatever he undertook. It is praise indeed to say of one departed, "He was a good husband, a good father, and a good citizen." He was a true patriot, an able and efficient public servant and the eulogy is complete.

The Funeral Services.

It was a large crown of mourners representing most every denomination in the city, that assembled last Sunday at Quinn Chapel church to pay tribute to a beloved friend, Prof. F. S. Delaney, who died last Thursday night, January 18, at 11:22 p. m. Long before the hour of the services, every seat in the large auditorium of Quinn Chapel church was occupied, even the aisles were crowded. The sweet strains of the organ commenced to breathe softly through the church the solemn notes of Beethoven's funeral march. This announced the approach of the funeral party. A hush fell over the audience as the solemn march with Rev. J. C. Anderson, pastor of Quinn Chapel, accompanied by ministers representing most every church in the city, marched slowly down the aisle. These were followed by honorary and active pall-bearers, after which came the body of the deceased lying in a beautiful McKinley state casket. The casket was guided by the well-known funeral director, Mr. J. B. Cooper. Members of the family, officers of the church and friends followed. A pathetic scene was enacted when the students from the blind institute followed the procession with their hands resting on the shoulder of his comrade. They had lost their beloved teacher and friend. The pulpit and surrounding space was carpeted with flowers, geraniums, carnations and roses, many of which had been formed into beautiful floral designs. Standing above them all was the design sent by the Louisville Oratorio society; it was formed in the shape of a harp. After appropriate devotional exercises, quite a number of resolutions were read. Of all the tributes paid to his memory in the form of resolutions none were more touching and impressive than the one read by Mrs. Essie Dortch Mack, representing the Central high school class of 1912. A telegram from Wilberforce faculty and students was read by Dr. Clark of Lexington, Ky., who was a beloved friend of the deceased. Rev. C. B. Allen read the obituary, and among the many things that he said, we noted the following: That Prof. Delaney was born in Canada, receiving his education at the great Wilberforce University; was the son of the great soldier, Martin Delaney; that he leaves a wife, son, two brothers, sister and a host of friends. Mrs. Briggs assisted by the musical organization, rendered a beautiful anthem, "Jerusalem." Rev. Anderson delivered a most touching and eloquent funeral oration, the tribute paid to Prof. Delaney will never be forgotten by those who listened to him. His subject was taken from 2nd Samuels and a part of the 38th verse. The pastor introduced Rev. Leroy Ferguson, who at one time was a student of Prof. Delaney. He said in part that "Prof. Delaney had a great love for his fellow men." Dr. Clark said that he was indeed one of God's noblemen. A wave of sorrow fell over the audience as Dr. Clark directed the latter part of his address directly to Martin, the son of Prof. Delaney, admonishing him to continue his education to try and emulate his father. After a solo by Mrs. Meade, friends were permitted to take their last glance at the deceased. It was after five o'clock, the shades of night had crept over the city, when the silent and anxious crowd outside of the church saw the solemn pageant reappear the casket borne upon the shoulders of stalwart men. A more impressive sight than the cortege of Prof. Delaney from the gate at Quinn Chapel to the Louisville cemetery has seldom been witnessed in this city. When the head of the cortege arrived at the cemetery it was dark and the remains of the lamented dead were deposited in its last resting place and the funeral services F. S. Delaney were over.

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Prof. Garvin, principal of the Winchester public school, passed through the city last week en route to the Tuskegee Conference at Tuskegee, Ala. He was accompanied by his entire faculty. While sojourning in the city the teachers were entertained at the residence of Miss Elsie Masterson, who was one of the party and a teacher in the Winchester schools. Before returning to Winchester the party will visit several colleges in Alabama and Tennessee. They will pass through this city Wednesday evening. Prof. Garvin should be congratulated for his great effort to raise the standard of his school by permitting his teachers to visit other schools to study their methods. It would be a good idea for other principals to adopt the same plan during their spring vacations.

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We have received quite a number of letters recently from persons living in other states inquiring for lost relatives. We are making an effort to find these persons. Among the names that are on our desk we might mention the following: Eph Jackson, Sallie Abdelcotta, Lula Smith, Mrs. Beatrice Stanley, Mrs. Bedie Dyer and Roy Simpson.

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Mrs. Lucy Brown, of 1006 Chestnut street, is visiting friends in Cincinnati, O.

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The editorial that occurred in the Columbian last week in reference to the local Negro Business League was very timely indeed. We hope that it will bear fruit. It seems that some one is at fault.

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We are pleased to announce to our friends that aside from being a representative of The Freeman, we are serving in the same capacity for the Louisville Daily Times. We were the first last week to get the notice to the papers of Prof. Delaney's death.

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The colored mail carriers and postal clerks held a very important meeting last Sunday in the auditorium of the public library.

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Brown's School of Stenography will give away next week four free scholarships to four deserving persons. All applicants for scholarships should enclose stamps for immediate reply.

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We are arranging to give to the readers of The Freeman a brief description of the Negro enterprises in Frankfort, Georgetown, Paris and Cynthiana.

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Mr. Cassius Smith, of the Guy Smith & Sons, movers and packers, was called to Levington this week to pack a large shipment of household goods.

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Rev. E. J. Jackson, pastor of the Corinthian Baptist church, was in the city last Sunday to attend the funeral services of Prof. F. S. Delaney.

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Rev. J. M. Munday, pastor of St. Clement's Episcopal church and grand master of the Masonic lodges of the state, is expected in the city this week on his annual tour of the Kentucky lodges.

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Mrs. Edith Palmore wishes to thank her many friends for the kindness that was shown to her through the illness of J. A. Palmore, her husband. Also we thank the Rev. Johnson for his touching service, A. D. Potter for his funeral service and his many friends for the many beautifpy floral designs and also the many friends from French Lick and West Baden, Ind.

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General W. W. Wilson, brigadier general of Kentucky, was a pleasant visitor to the Falls City January 14. He was highly entertained by Major Lyles at his residence, 824 West Madison street. The following officers were present: Col. P. E. Reese, Col. A. H. Crutchfield, Col. O. G. Duff, Major Robert Lyles, Major J. P. Dueson, Capt. D. M. Crutcher, Capt. F. W. Hoffman, Lieut. Thos. Goode, Sergt. S. H. Lovings and Sergt. Thos. Clark. Gen. Wilson was also entertained in true Kentucky style at the residence of Mrs. Viney Young, 824 West Madison street.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. L. L. Powell, the state G. M. of the Mosaic Templars of America, was in the city last week. He lectured to the different chambers at the C. M. E. church last Wednesday night, January 17. The same was enjoyed by a large audience....Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fields, of Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., were in the city last week, visiting their relatives.

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